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Introduction

This volume contains a description and analysis of the semi-official medals and decorations issued within the Austrian and later Austro-Hungarian Empire other than those made for the collector trade or for commercial purposes. This will include medals issued by entities other than the central Austrian or Austro-Hungarian government so long as they are directly related to the military mission of the government. This volume on semi-official medals will describe medals issued by entities other than the emperor to military or civil officials, by municipalities such as cities and cantons, by military units, by societies such as the Red Cross and organizations like the War Help Bureau and by veteran societies. The exception will be the official Red Cross decorations which were issued by the central government and will be addressed in the volume on decorations. Thus the reader can expect to find in this part of the volume on semi-official awards a description of the semi-official awards issued in support of the military's mission.



Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Shooting Championship Medal 1901

(Meisterschafts Schiessen Medaille 1901)



Silver Medal

Date Issued: 1901

Reason Issued: To commemorate the National Shooting Championship held in Vienna in 1901

Classes or Types: Two: Silver Medal and Bronze Medal

Interesting Facts: The same obverse was used on the 1901 National Shooting Championship Medal, the Berg Isel 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1908, 1912, 1913 and 1914 medals and the Salzburg 1902, 1903, 1904, and 1905 Shooting Championship Medals.

Hallmarks: None known

Design: An oval medal with an attached circular wire suspension eye

Obverse: The image of Franz Joseph I facing to the right and wearing the uniform of an Austrian Field Marshal and the Order of the Golden Fleece. In front of the collar of the bust is inscribed **FRANZ JOSEPH**. Behind the bust is a coat of arms.

Reverse: On a plain field is a wreath composed of an oak bough on the viewers left and a laurel bough on the right, tied at the bottom with a bow. Inside the wreath is an inscription in three lines: **MEISTERSCHAFTS / SCHIESSEN/ 1901**. Translation: Shooting Championship 1901. Below the wreath in small letters is inscribed **CHRISTLBAUER WIEN**.

Weight:

- Silver Medal: 16.3 grams
- Bronze Medal: 14.7 grams

Size: 43.8 by 33.3 mm

Type of Material: Silver and bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Johann Christelbauer and Son

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.



Bronze Medal

Shooting Championship Medal 1901

(Meisterschafts Schiessen Medaille 1901)



Case: A black leather case with a green satin interior lid and a green felt fitted interior bottom.
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known



Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Shooting Championship Berg Isel 1901 Medal

(Meisterschafts Schiessen Berg Isel 1901 Medaille)



Date Issued: 1901

Reason Issued: To commemorate the National Shooting Championship in Berg Isel in 1901

Classes or Types: One known

Interesting Facts: The same obverse was used on the 1901 National Shooting Championship Medal, the Berg Isel 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1908, 1912, 1913 and 1914 medals and the Salzburg 1902, 1903, 1904, and 1905 Shooting Championship Medals.

Hallmarks: None known

Design: An oval medal with an attached circular wire suspension eye

Obverse: The image of Franz Joseph I facing to the viewers right and wearing the uniform of an Austrian Field Marshal and the Order of the Golden Fleece. In front of the collar of the bust is inscribed **FRANZ JOSEPH I**. Behind the bust is a coat of arms.

Reverse: On a plain field is a wreath composed of an oak bough on the viewers left and a laurel bough on the right, tied at the bottom with a bow. Inside the wreath is an inscription in four lines. The inscription reads: **MEISTERSCHAFTS / SCHIESSEN/ BERG ISEL / 1901**. Translation: Shooting Championship Berg Isel 1901. Below the oak bough in small letters is inscribed **Christelbauer Wien**

Weight: 14.7 grams

Size: 43.8 by 33.3 mm

Type of Material: Bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Johann Christelbauer and Son

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Case: A black leather case with a green satin interior lid and a green felt fitted interior bottom.





Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

The Defense Force Flag Consecration Marksman shoot in Eppan November 1901

(Schützen Fahnenweihe Meiastershutaen Eppan im November 1901)



Silver Medal

Date Issued: November 1901

Reason Issued: To commemorate the Austrian, Italian and Tyrolean State Defense Force flag consecration shooting contest in Eppan in 1901

Classes or Types: Two: Aluminum Medal and Bronze Medal

Interesting Facts. A table medal with the same obverse but a different reverse was produced for this event.

Hallmarks: None Known

Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an attached eye

Obverse: Inside a raised rim is a beaded line within which is an inscription starting at the 8 o'clock position and ending at the 4 o'clock position. The inscription is as follows: **SCHUTZEN FAHNEN WEIHE EPPAN IM NOVEMBER 1901.** Translation: Shoot and flag consecration Eppan in November 1901. Between the words WEIHE and Eppan is a star with rays radiating towards the midline of the medal. Below the inscription is an image of the arch-angel Gabriel with a sword in his right hand and a shield in his left kneeling on a crescent below which are four shields with coats of arms. On the shield are the words **DUIS UT DEUS.** Translation: Homeland and God. The angel is standing on a upward curved platform below which are four heraldic shields one of which is that of Austria and another of Tyrol. The shields are superimposed over an oak bough. Below the shields as a makers mark.

Reverse: Inside the edge of the medal is a beaded line. Inside the line is an oak wreath tied at the bottom with a bow. Inside the wreath is an inscription in four lines which reads: **K.K. / SCHIESS / STAND EPPAN.** Translation: Imperial and Royal national shoot Eppan. The makers mark is below the bottom stems of the wreath.

Weight:

- Silver Medal: 20.7 grams
- Bronze Medal: 20.5 grams

Size: 38-40 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Aluminum and bronze

Variations: None

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: von Beyenbach of Wiesbaden

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.



Bronze Medal

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Shooting Championship Berg Isel 1902 Medal

(Meisterschafts Schiessen Berg Isel 1902 Medaille)



Date Issued: 1902

Reason Issued: To commemorate the National Shooting Championship in Berg Isel in 1902

Classes or Types: One known

Interesting Facts: The same obverse was used on the 1901 National Shooting Championship Medal, the Berg Isel 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1908, 1912, 1913 and 1914 medals and the Salzburg 1902, 1903, 1904, and 1905 Shooting Championship Medals.

Hallmarks: None known

Design: An oval medal with an attached circular wire suspension eye

Obverse: The image of Franz Joseph I facing to the viewers right and wearing the uniform of an Austrian Field Marshal and the Order of the Golden Fleece. In front of the collar of the bust is inscribed **FRANZ JOSEPH I**. Behind the bust is a coat of arms.

Reverse: On a plain field is a wreath composed of an oak bough on the viewers left and a laurel bough on the right, tied at the bottom with a bow. Inside the wreath is an inscription in four lines. The inscription reads: **MEISTERSCHAFTS / SCHIESSEN/ BERG ISEL / 1902**. Translation: Shooting Championship Berg Isel 1902. Below the oak bough in small letters is inscribed **J. Christelbauer Wien**

Weight: 14.7 grams

Size: 43.8 by 33.3 mm

Type of Material: Bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Johann Christelbauer and Son

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Case: A black leather case with a green satin interior lid and a green felt fitted interior bottom.

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known





Commemorative Medal of the Defense Force Flag Consecration at Worgl Tyrol 8/9 1902

(Erinnerungmedaille an die standschutzen fahnenweihe worgl Tyrol 8/9 1902)



Date Issued: September 8, 1902
Reason Issued: To commemorate the consecration of the flag of the Tyrol defense force
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: There were two medals issued to commemorate this event.
Hallmarks: None known
Design: An round medal with a raised rim and an attached circular eye on a stem
Obverse: Inside a raised rim is the Tyrol coat of arms
Reverse: Inside a raised rim is a beaded circle inside of which is inscribed in 5 lines the first and last of which are curved to follow the curvature of the medal. The inscription reads: **ERINNERUNG / AN DIE / STAND-SCHUTZEN / FAHNENWEIHE / WORGL TIROL / 8/9 1902.** Translation: Commemorating the defense force flag consecration Worgl Tyrol September 8, 1902. There is a small decorative element between the forth and fifth lines.
Weight: 21.16 grams
Size: 29 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Aluminum
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Commemorative Medal for the Defense Force and Shooting Range Flag Consecration at Worgl, Tyrol September 8, 1902

(Erinnerungmedaille an die fahnenweire der standschutzen des Imp and Royal schiessstands worgl 8 september 1902)



Date Issued: September 8, 1902

Reason Issued: To commemorate the consecration of the flag of the Tyrol defense force and their shooting range in Worgl

Classes or Types: one

Interesting Facts:

- There were two medals issued to commemorate this event
- This medal was also issued as a table medal

Hallmarks: None known

Design: An round medal with a raised rim and an attached wire loop eye

Obverse: Inside a raised rim is the bust of Emperor Franz Joseph I facing to the viewers left and wearing a field marshals uniform with decorations. Around the medal starting at the eight o'clock position is the following inscription: **FRANCISCUS JESEPHUS I JMPERATOR ET REX.** Translation: Franz Joseph I Emperor and King. Below the image of the emperor at the 5 o'clock position is the word **ALUMINIUM**. Near the edge of the medal at the six o'clock position is the monogram X over B.

Reverse: inside a raised rim is a beaded circle inside of which is text starting at the 7 o'clock position and ending at the five o'clock position that follows the contour of the medal. The inscription reads: **ERINNERUNG AN DIE FAHNENWEIRE DER STANDSCHUTZEN DES K.K. SCHIESSENTANDS WORGL 8 SEPTEMBER 1902.** Translation: Commemorating the defense force and shooting range flag consecration Worgl Tyrol September 8, 1902.

Weight: 21.2 grams

Size: 40 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Silver

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Salzburg Garrison Shooting Championship Medal

(Salzburg Meisterschaftsschiessen der Garnison Medaille)



Date Issued: 1902
Reason Issued: To commemorate the Garrison Shooting Championship in Salzburg in 1902
Classes or Types: One known
Interesting Facts: The same obverse was used on the 1901 National Shooting Championship Medal, the Berg Isel 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1908, 1912, 1913 and 1914 medals and the Salzburg 1902, 1903, 1904, and 1905 Shooting Championship Medals.
Hallmarks: None known
Design: An oval medal with an attached circular wire suspension eye
Obverse: The image of Franz Joseph I facing to the viewers right and wearing the uniform of an Austrian Field Marshal and the Order of the Golden Fleece. In front of the collar of the bust is inscribed **FRANZ JOSEPH I**. Behind the bust is a coat of arms.
Reverse: On a plain field is a wreath composed of an oak bough on the viewers left and a laurel bough on the right. Inside the wreath is an inscription in six lines. The inscription reads: **MEISTERSCHAFTS / SCHIESSEN/ BERG ISEL / 1902**. Translation: Shooting Championship Berg Isel 1902. Below the oak bough in small letters is inscribed **J. Christelbauer Wien**
Weight: 14.7 grams
Size: 43.8 by 33.3 mm
Type of Material: Bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Johann Christelbauer and Son
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: The ribbon on this medal may not be correct.
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Hoch and Deutchmeister Rozberic War Memorial Erection Commemoration Medal

(Hoch und Deutchmeister Rozberic Kriegerendenkmal Aufstellung Erinnerungsmedaille)



Date Issued: 1902

Reason Issued: To commemorate the unveiling of the Hoch and Deutchmeister Rozberic War Memorial On September 7, 1902

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: None Known

Hallmarks: None

Design: A quadrilateral medal with a raised rim.

Obverse: Within a raised rim on a plain field is the image of a wounded soldier standing on a promontory protecting a wounded comrade. On the upper edges of the medal is inscribed in three lines: **ZUR ERINNERUNG AN DIE ENTHULLUNG DES DEUTCHMEISTER. KRIEGER.DENKMALES / IN ROZBERIC BEI KONIGGRATZ / 7. SEPT 1902.** Translation: In commemoration of the unveiling the Deutchmeister War Memorial in Rozberic near Konniggratz 7 September 1902.

Reverse: Within a raised rim on a plain field is the image of a Hoch and Deutchmeister's coat of arms. Between the arms of the cross are the following Roman Numerals from top left to bottom right: **VII, IX, MC, MII** (7, 9, 1902)

Weight: 7 grams

Size: 40 mm in height and 27 mm in width.

Type of Material: Silver

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

First Tyrolean Andreas Hofer Society Commemorative Medal

(Erste Tiroler Andreas-Hofer-Gesellschaft-Denkmünze)



Date Issued: August 15, 1902

Reason Issued: To commemorate the erection of the fallen Andreas Hofer monument in the Saxon camp in the Tyrol

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: None known

Hallmarks: None known

Design: An round medal with a raised rim and an attached wedge shaped suspension eye

Obverse: Inside a raised rim is a beaded circle inside of which is the image of the Andreas Hofer monument with the Tyrolean mountains in the background. Between the beaded circle and the edge of the medal starting at the seven o'clock position and ending at the five o'clock position is the following inscription: **1. TIROLER ANDREAS HOFER VEREIN IN WIEN.** Translation: 1st Tyrolean Andres Hofer Society in Vienna. There Between the start and end of the inscription is a floral decorative element.

Reverse: Inside a raised rim is a beaded circle inside of which is the image of the Tyrolean eagle. Between the beaded circle and the edge of the medal starting at the seven o'clock position and ending at the five o'clock position is the following inscription: **SACHSENKLEMME IN TIROL XV. AUGUST MDCCCCII.** Translation: Saxon Camp in Tyrol 15 August 1902. There Between the start and end of the inscription is a floral decorative element..

Weight: 19.4-21.7 grams

Size: 40-41.5 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Silver plated bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Shooting Championship Berg Isel 1903 Medal

(Meisterschafts Schiessen Berg Isel 1903 Medaille)



Silver Medal

Date Issued: 1903

Reason Issued: To commemorate the National Shooting Championship in Berg Isel in 1903

Classes or Types: Two

- Silver Medal
- Bronze Medal

Interesting Facts: The same obverse was used on the 1901 National Shooting Championship Medal, the Berg Isel 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1908, 1912, 1913 and 1914 medals and the Salzburg 1902, 1903, 1904, and 1905 Shooting Championship Medals.

Hallmarks:

- On the silver medal at the seven o'clock position is the Christlbauer hallmark: **J.C** in a rectangle
- The 1872-1922 750 fine silver hallmark

Design: An oval medal with an attached circular wire suspension eye

Obverse: The image of Franz Joseph I facing to the viewers right and wearing the uniform of an Austrian Field Marshal and the Order of the Golden Fleece. In front of the collar of the bust is inscribed **FRANZ JOSEPH I**. Behind the bust is a coat of arms.

Reverse: On a plain field is a wreath composed of an oak bough on the viewers left and a laurel bough on the right. Within the wreath is an inscription in four lines. The inscription reads: **MEISTERSCHAFTS / SCHIESSEN/ BERG ISEL / 1903.** Translation: Shooting Championship Berg Isel 1903. Below the laurel bough at the five o'clock position in small letters is inscribed **J. Christelbauer Wien** and at the viewers left of the six o'clock position is his logo: the letters J.C. within a rectangle.

Weight:

- Silver Medal: 14.9-15.3 grams
- Bronze Medal: 14.7 grams

Size: 31 by 39 to 33-43.8 mm

Type of Material: Silver and bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Johann Christelbauer and Son

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Shooting Championship Berg Isel 1903 Medal

(Meisterschafts Schiessen Berg Isel 1903 Medaille)



Bronze Medal

Case: A black leather case with a green satin interior lid and a green felt fitted interior bottom.
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known





Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Shooting Championship Salzburg 1903 Medal

(Meisterschafts Schiessen Salzburg 1903 Medaille)



Type I Silver Medal

Date Issued: 1903

Reason Issued: To commemorate the National Shooting Championship in Salzburg in 1903

Classes or Types: Three: Gold Medal, Silver Medal, Bronze Medal

Interesting Facts: The same obverse was used on the 1901 National Shooting Championship Medal, the Berg Isel 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1908, 1912, 1913 and 1914 medals and the Salzburg 1902, 1903, 1904, and 1905 Shooting Championship Medals.

Hallmarks: None known

Design: An oval medal with an attached circular wire suspension eye

Obverse: The image of Franz Joseph I facing to the viewers right and wearing the uniform of an Austrian Field Marshal and the Order of the Golden Fleece. In front of the collar of the bust is inscribed **FRANZ JOSEPH I.** Behind the bust is a coat of arms.

Reverse: On a plain field is a wreath composed of an oak bough on the viewers left and a laurel bough on the right, tied at the bottom with a bow. Within the wreath is an inscription in six lines, the first of which follows the upper contour of the medal. The inscription reads: **MEISTERSCHAFTS / SCHIESSEN/ Der/ GARNISON/ SALZBURG / 1903**. Translation: Shooting Championship at the Salzburg Garrison 1903. At the bottom of the medal at the six o'clock position is hte name of the medalist: **CHRISTLBAUER WIEN**

Weight:

- Gold Medal: Unknown
- Silver Medal: 14.9-15.3 grams
- Bronze Medal 14.7 grams

Size: 43.8 by 33.3 mm

Type of Material: Gold plated Silver, silver and bronze

Variations:

- Type I as described above
- Type II as described above but without the name of the medalist at the bottom of the obverse.

Designer: Johann Christelbauer and Son

Manufacturer: Unknown



Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Shooting Championship Salzburg 1903 Medal

(Meisterschafts Schiessen Salzburg 1903 Medaille)



Type II Bronze Medal

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.
Case: A black leather case with a green satin interior lid and a green felt fitted interior bottom.
Ribbon: Half green and half white with the white on the viewers left.
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known







Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Pontlatz Jubilee Medal

(Pontlatzer Jubilaumsmedaille)



Date Issued: 1903

Reason Issued: To commemorate the 200th anniversary of the victory of the Tyrolean Landsturm over the Bavarians in 1703 and over the French at the old bridge (Pontlatzer) over the Inn River near Printz in 1809 and the unveiling of a monument at Pontlatzbruke near Landeck to commemorate this event.

Classes or Types: Two: Silver Medal and a Bronze Medal

Interesting Facts: This medal was also issued as a table medal

Hallmarks: JC on the edge of the medal

Design: A round medal with an attached wedge shaped suspension eye.

Obverse: A bust of Emperor Franz Joseph I in uniform and wearing a cloak, a field marshals uniform and decorations facing to the viewers right. Inscribed behind the emperor's head at neck level is **FRANC.IOS. I.**

Reverse: On a plain background is a representation of the Pontlatz monument: an eagle on a rock with a captured flag. On the viewers left halfway between the top and bottom of the medal is inscribed in raised letters **PONTLATZ**. In the same position on viewers right are the dates **1703-1809/.1903.** At the base of the monument on the viewers right is the name of the medalist **J. CHRISTLBAUER**

Weight:

- Silver Medal: Unknown
- Bronze Medal: 32 grams

Size: 45 mm

Type of Material: Silver and bronze

Variations: None known

Designer:

- Obverse: Rudolf Neuberger
- Reverse: Johann Christlbauer

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: None

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Upper Austria State Shoot Medal

(Oberösterreichische Landesschützenmedaille)





Date Issued: 1903

Reason Issued: To commemorate the first Upper Austria State Shoot held in Linz.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts:

- The first shoot was held in Linz in 1903, the second shoot was held in Linz in 1906 and the third in Linz in 1914.
- This medal was also issued as a table medal.

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A rectangular medal with an attached circular suspension eye.

Obverse: A bust of Archduke Franz Salvator in hunting costume and wearing a feathered hat facing to the viewers left. Around the edge of the medal is the following inscription: **UNTER DEM PROTEKTORATE SR. KU.K. HOHEIT DES HERRN ERZHERZOGS FRANZ SALVATOR.** Translation: Under the Patronage of his highness Archduke Franz Salvator.

Reverse: On a plain background is the image of the Linz shooting headquarters. Above the image of the headquarters is a four line inscription as follows: **I.OBER-OEST. / LANDESSCHIESSEN / LINZ A/D/. / 1903**. Translation: First Upper Austrian State Shoot Linz in 1903. At the bottom of the medal on an exergue with a raised line within which is a floral decorative element upon which is a shield with the coat of arms of Upper Austria.

Weight: 19.8 grams

Size: 38.3 mm by 27.2 mm

Type of Material: Silver

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: None

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Shooting Championship Salzburg 1904 Medal

(Meisterschafts Schiessen Salzburg 1904 medaille)



Date Issued: 1904 **Bronze Medal**

Reason Issued: To commemorate the National Shooting Championship in Salzburg in 1904

Classes or Types: One known

Interesting Facts: The same obverse was used on the 1901 National Shooting Championship Medal, the Berg Isel 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1908, 1912, 1913 and 1914 medals and the Salzburg 1902, 1903, 1904, and 1905 Shooting Championship Medals.

Hallmarks: None known

Design: An oval medal with an attached circular wire suspension eye

Obverse: The image of Franz Joseph I facing to the viewers right and wearing the uniform of an Austrian Field Marshal and the Order of the Golden Fleece. In front of the collar of the bust is inscribed **FRANZ JOSEPH I.** Behind the bust is a coat of arms.

Reverse: On a plain field is an inscription in six lines, the first of which follows the upper contour of the medal. The inscription reads: **MEISTERSCHAFTS / SCHIESSEN/ Der/ GARNISON/ SALZBURG / 1904**. Translation: Shooting Championship at the Salzburg Garrison 1904. Below the inscription is an oak bough. Below the bough slightly to the viewers left of the 6 o'clock position is the makers name: **CHRISTLBAUER**

Weight: 14.7 grams

Size: 38-43.8 mm by 31-33.3 mm

Type of Material: Bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Jahann Christian Christlbauer and son

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Case: A black leather case with a green satin interior lid and a green felt fitted interior bottom.

Ribbon: Was at least in part yellow

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known





Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Shooting Championship Berg Isel 1904 Medal

(Meisterschafts Schiessen Berg Isel 1904 Medaille)



Gold Medal

Date Issued: 1904

Reason Issued: To commemorate the National Shooting Championship in Berg Isel in the Tyrol in 1904

Classes or Types: Three. Gold Medal, Silver Medal and Bronze Medal

Interesting Facts: The same obverse was used on the 1901 National Shooting Championship Medal, the Berg Isel 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1908, 1912, 1913 and 1914 medals and the Salzburg 1902, 1903, 1904, and 1905 Shooting Championship Medals.

Hallmarks:

- The mark of Johann Christelbaur and Son
- The 1872-1922 small article 580 gold hallmark on the gold medals

Design: An oval medal with an attached circular wire suspension eye

Obverse: The image of Franz Joseph I facing to the viewers right and wearing the uniform of an Austrian Field Marshal and the Order of the Golden Fleece. In front of the collar of the bust is inscribed **FRANZ JOSEPH I**. Behind the bust is a coat of arms.

Reverse: An oak bough on the bottom left with the stem up and a laurel bough on the top right with the stem down. Within the boughs is an inscription in four lines. Between line two and three is a stylized dividing element. The inscription reads: **MEISTERSCHAFTS / SCHIESSEN/ BERG ISEL / 1904**. Translation: Shooting Championship Berg Isel 1904. Below the oak bough near the viewers left of the six o'clock position in small letters is inscribed **CHRISTLBAUER**

Weight:

- Gold Medal = 20.5 grams
- Silver Medal = 14.7-15.3 grams
- Bronze Medal = 14.7 grams

Size:

- Gold Medal: 43.8 by 33.3 mm
- Silver Medal: 38.5 mm by 31 mm
- Bronze Medal: 40.5 mm by 34 mm

Type of Material: Gold, silver and bronze

Variations: Examples exist with the Christelbauer hallmark, a rectangle or a circle with the letters JC on the reverse.



Silver Medal

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Shooting Championship Berg Isel 1904 Medal

(Meisterschafts Schiessen Berg Isel 1904 Medaille)



Bronze Medal

Designer: Johann Christelbauer and Son
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.
Case: A black leather case with a green satin interior lid and a green felt fitted interior bottom.
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known





Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Modling Imperial Homage and Millennium Shooting Festival Medal

(Modling Kaiser Huldigungs und Milleniumsfestschiessen Medaille)



Date Issued: 1904
Reason Issued: To commemorate the imperial homage and millennium shooting festival in Modling
Classes or Types: One known
Interesting Facts: None known
Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with an elaborate suspension and attached circular suspension eye
Obverse: On the round medal is the image of Franz Joseph I facing out towards the viewer wearing a hunting costume. To the viewers left of the image of the emperor is the word **FRANZ** and to the right **JOSEF I.** Attached to the top of the round medal is a decorative element featuring four right angles. The element is decorated with oak leaves. At the top center of the element is a shield with ribbons on which is the coat of arms of Modling.
Reverse: On the round medal is the image of the Modling Shooting Society headquarters. Below the scene on an exergue with a raised line at the top is a four line inscription which reads **KAISERHULDIGUNGS -/ U. MILLENIUMS-/ FESTSCHIESSEN / MODLING.** Translation: Imperial Homage and Millennium Shooting Festival Modling. Attached to the top of the round medal is a decorative element featuring four right angles. The element is decorated with oak leaves. At the top center of the element is a shield with ribbons on which is the dates **904** over **1904**.
Weight: 15 grams
Size: 28 by 42 mm
Type of Material: Silver
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Vienna Defense Force Flag Consecration Shooting Festival Medal

(Fahnenweihe-Schießfest-Medaille der Wiener Streitkräfte)



Date Issued: 1904

Reason Issued: To commemorate the Vienna Defense Force flag consecration Shooting festival.

Classes or Types: One known

Interesting Facts: None known

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A rectangular medal with round suspension eye

Obverse: On the rectangular medal is the image of the defense force flag being handed from one generation to another with Vienna in the background. In the scene is a rifle leaning against an oak tree. In the center of the oak tree is the logo of the medalist: Franz Xaver Pawlik. Above the scene is a five line inscription as follows: **DI EDUARD KOPP UBERNIMMT VON / DEN VORFAHREN DES WIENER-SCHUTZEN / VERI-ENES DIE HISTO /RISCHE SCHUTZEN / FAHNE.** Translation: Eduard Kopp receives the historic defense flag from the ancestors of the Vienna Defense Force.

Reverse: On the rectangular medal is the image of the defense force flag being blessed and receiving a wreath from a goddess. The flag is being held by the defense society patron: Archduke Leopold Salvator. Vienna can be seen in the background. On the viewers left on the edge of the medal is the name of the medalist: **FX. PAWIK. ENTW.** Below the scene on an exergue on which can be seen a four line inscription which reads: **FAHNENWEIH-FESTSCHIESSEN DES / WIENER-SCHUTZENVEREINES 4-12 JUNI 1904 / PRO-TECTOR ERZHERZOG LEOPOLD SALVATOR / FAHNPATIN ERZHEROGIN BLANCA.** Translation: Flag consecration shoot of the Vienna Defense Association 4-12 June, 1904 Patron Archduke Leopold Salvator Flag Patroness Archduchess Blanca.

Weight: 36.6 grams

Size: Unknown

Type of Material: Silver

Variations: None known

Designer: Franz Xaver Pawlik

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: The number of medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Half black and half imperial yellow

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Shooting Championship Salzburg 1905 Medal

(Meisterschafts Schiessen Salzburg 1905 Medaille)



Date Issued: 1905

Reason Issued: To commemorate the National Shooting Championship in Salzberg in 1905

Classes or Types: One known

Interesting Facts: The same obverse was used on the 1901 National Shooting Championship Medal, the Berg Isel 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1908, 1912, 1913 and 1914 medals and the Salzburg 1902, 1903, 1904, and 1905 Shooting Championship Medals.

Hallmarks: None known

Design: An oval medal with an attached circular wire suspension eye

Obverse: The image of Franz Joseph I facing to the viewers right and wearing the uniform of an Austrian Field Marshal and the Order of the Golden Fleece. In front of the collar of the bust is inscribed **FRANZ JOSEPH I.** Behind the bust is a coat of arms.

Reverse: On a plain field are crossed boughs of oak and laurel with the laurel bough on the viewers left and the oak on the right. The boughs are tied at the bottom with a bow. Above the boughs is the date **1905**. Above the date are two additional crossed boughs of laurel and oak. Above these boughs is an inscription which follows the contour of the medal. The inscription reads **MEISTERSCHAFTS / SCHIESSEN**. Translation: Shooting Championship. Below the boughs is an inscription in two lines the second of which follows the contour of the medal. The inscription reads: **DER/ GARNISON SALZBURG**. Translation: the Garrison Salzburg. Below the bottom line of the inscription at the 6 o'clock position is the name Christelbauer Wien

Weight: 14.7 grams

Size: 43.8 by 33.3 mm

Type of Material: Bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Johann Christelbauer and Son

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Case: Unknown





Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Andreas Hofer Veterans Association Commemorative Medal

(Andreas Hofer Kriegsveteranenverband Gedenkmedaille)



Date Issued: 1905

Reason Issued: To commemorate the 25th anniversary of the founding and flag dedication of the Andreas Hofer Veterans and Warriors' Association of Merano.

Classes or Types: One known

Interesting Facts: A medal was issued in 1880 when the Andreas Hofer Veterans and Warriors' Association of Merano was founded.

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an attached round suspension eye

Obverse: Inside the raised rim of the medal is a fine beaded line. Within the beaded line is the image of a stand of arms including a Tyrolean hat, drum, flags , crossed rifles, cannons and canon balls. Around the stand of arms is a laurel wreath tied at the bottom with a bow.

Reverse: Inside the rim of the medal is a nine line inscription, the top line of which is curved to conform with the shape of the medal. The inscription is as follows: **ZUR ERINNERUNG / AN DAS / 25 JAHR GRUN-DUNGSFEST / U. FAHNENWEIHE / 24. APRIL 1905 / DES / ANDREAS HOFER VETERANEN / U. KRIEGER VEREINES / MERAN**. Translation: In commemoration of the 25th anniversary of the founding and flag dedication of the Andreas Hofer Merano Veterans and Warriors Association.

Weight: 9.7 grams

Size: 33 mm

Type of Material: Zinc

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown .

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Andreas Hofer Veterans Association Commemorative Medal

(Andreas Hofer Kriegsveteranenverband Gedenkmedaille)



Date Issued: 1905
Reason Issued: To commemorate the 25th anniversary of the founding and flag dedication of the Andreas Hofer Veterans and Warriors' Association of Merano.
Classes or Types: One known
Interesting Facts: A medal was issued in 1880 when the Andreas Hofer Veterans and Warriors' Association of Merano was founded.
Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an attached wedge shaped suspension eye
Obverse: Inside the raised rim on a plain field is the image of the Tyrolean eagle with the number **25** below it at the six o'clock position. Around the stand of arms is a laurel wreath tied at the bottom with a bow.
Reverse: Inside the raised rim on a plain field is the image of Andreas Hofer in tyrolean dress, facing to the viewers right.
Weight: 21 grams
Size: 36.5 mm
Type of Material: Silver plated bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown .
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Centenary Celebration of the 4th Wurttemberg Infantry Regiment Medal

(Hundertjahrfeier der Medaille des 4. württembergischen Infanterieregiments)





Date Issued: 1906

Reason Issued: To commemorate the Centenary celebration of the 4th Wurttemberg Infantry Regiment in 1905

Classes or Types: One known

Interesting Facts: None Known

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A round medal with an attached round suspension eye

Obverse: Inside the rim of the medal is a fine beaded line. In the center of the medal is a second fine beaded line. Within the inner beaded line is the image of Emperor Franz Joseph in uniform with decorations including the Order of the Golden Fleece. Between the inner and outer beaded lines is an inscription starting and ending at the six o'clock position. The inscription reads: **KAISER FRANZ JOSEPH V. OESTER. KONIG V. UNGARN.** Translation: Emperor Franz Joseph of Austria King of Hungary. There is a star separating the start and end of the inscription.

Reverse: Inside the rim of the medal is a fine beaded line. In the center of the medal is a laurel wreath tied at the bottom with a bow. Within the wreath is a four line inscription as follows: **JAHRHUNDERT / FEIER / D. REGIMENTS / 1806-1906**. Translation: Century celebration of the regiment 1806-1906. Above the inscription is a star. Between the outer beaded line and the wreath is an inscription starting and ending near the six o'clock position. The inscription reads: **4. WURTT. JNF. REGT. No 122 KAISER FRANZ JOSEPH V. OESTER. KONIG V. UNG.** Translation: 4th Wurttemberg Infantry Regiment No 122 Emperor Franz Joseph of Austria King of Hungary. There is a floral decorative element separating the start and end of the inscription.

Weight: 8.4 grams

Size: 28-28.5 mm

Type of Material: Bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown .

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Third Bohemian Shooting Club Competition held in Teplitz Commemorative Medal, 1907

(Dritter Wettbewerb der Böhmischen Schützenvereine in der Teplitz-Gedenkmedaille,1907)



Date Issued: 1907

Reason Issued: To commemorate the third Bohemian shooting club competition in 1907

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts:

- The first shooting festival in Bohemia was held in 1894, the second in Karlsbad in 1899 and the third in Karlsbad in 1907.
- Archduke Franz Ferdinand was the heir presumptive to the Austrian throne when this medal was struck. His assassination on June 28, 1914 in Sarajevo was the event that set in motion actions that led to World War I.
- This medal was also issued in a table version.

Hallmarks: 1872-1922 large article 900 fine silver mark

Design: A round medal with raised rim

Obverse: Inside a raised rim is the forward facing image of Archduke Franz Ferdinand in civilian dress. Around the upper half of the image is the following text: **ERZHERZOG FRANZ FERDINAND PROTECTOR.** Translation: Archduke Franz Ferdinand Patron.

Reverse: Inside a slightly raised rim, on the viewers right is the image of a warrior from the past facing out and holding a flag in his right hand and a rifle in his left. To the viewers left of the image of the soldier is an inscription in nine lines as follows: **III./ LANDS-/ SCHIESSEN / DES/ VERBANDES/ DEUTCHER SCHUTZEN / IN BOHEMEN/ TEPLITZ/ 1907.** Translation: Third State shoot of the Society of German Defenders in Bohemia, Teplitz, 1907.

Weight: 25.5 grams

Size: 38.2 mm in diameter

Type of Material: 900 fine Silver

Variations: None

Designer: Bruder Schneider

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: None

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Large Merit Medal for Horse Breeding

(Grosse Verdienstmedaille fur Pferdezucht)



Date Issued: Circa 1908-1916

Reason Issued: To reward horse breeders for breeding superior horses for the military

Classes or Types: Two

- Silver Medal
- Bronze Medal

Interesting Facts: This award was granted under the authority of the commander of the military stud farm

Hallmarks: The Vienna Assay Office mark on the rim of the medal and the word JAUNER.

Design: An oval medal with an attached wedge shaped eye

Obverse: In the center of the medal is a bust of Franz Joseph wearing a Field Marshalls uniform facing to the viewers left. He is wearing his decorations including the Order of the Golden Fleece. Around the bust is a laurel wreath which is open at the top and tied at the bottom with a floral rosette. The name of the designer: **JAUNER** is found at the 5 o'clock position outside of the wreath.

Reverse: A scene featuring a mare and colt grazing, around which is an elaborate wreath tied at the bottom with a fancy bow and featuring the Hapsburg coat of arms at the top.

Weight:

- Silver Medal: 33.1-36.7 grams
- Bronze Medal: Unknown

Size:

- Silver Medal: 50 mm by 42 mm to 68 mm by 66 mm in diameter and 3 mm thick
- Bronze Medal: 53.3 mm by 41.7 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Silver and bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Heinrich Jauner

Manufacturer: Vienna Hauptmunzamt

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Large Merit Medal for Horse Breeding

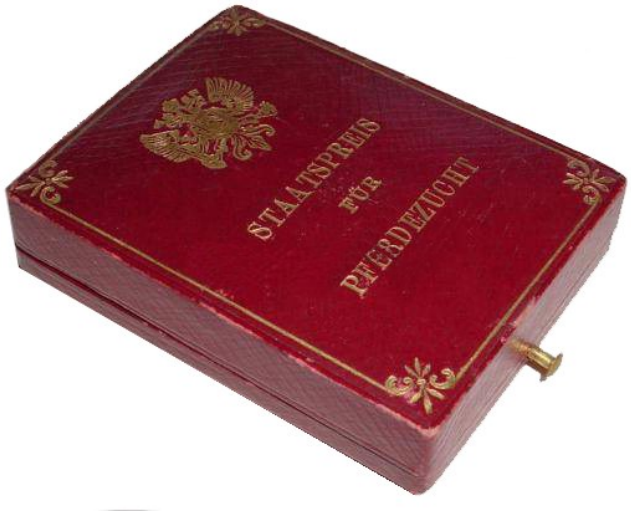
(Grosse Verdienstmedaille fur Pferdezucht)



Order of Precedence: Not included

Case:

- Type I: A red leather case with gilt Hapsburg eagle and an inscription in three lines on the top. The inscription for Austrian awards reads: **STAATSPREIS/ FUR/PFERDEZUCHT**. Around the rim of the case lid is a gilt line with gilt florets in the corners. The inner liner of the lid is blue while that of the bottom of the case is black fitted velvet.





Large Silver Merit Medal for Horse Breeding

(Grosse Silberne Verdienstmedaille fur Pferdezucht)

Case:

- Type II: A maroon leather case with gilt Hapsburg eagle and an inscription in three lines on the top. The inscription for Slovak awards reads: **DERZAVNO/ DARILO/ ZA/ KONJEREJO**. Around the rim of the case lid is a gilt line with gilt florets in the corners. The inner liner of the lid is blue while that of the bottom of the case is black fitted velvet.





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Ribbon: 40 mm wide red ribbon.
Attachments: None known
Miniature: None known



Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Shooting Championship Berg Isel 1908 Medal

(Meisterschafts Schiessen Berg Isel 1908 Medaille)



Date Issued: 1908

Reason Issued: To commemorate the National Shooting Championship in Berg Isel in 1908

Classes or Types: Two: Silver Medal and Bronze Medal

Interesting Facts: The same obverse was used on the 1901 National Shooting Championship Medal, the Berg Isel 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1908, 1912, 1913 and 1914 medals and the Salzburg 1902, 1903, 1904, and 1905 Shooting Championship Medals.

Hallmarks: None known

Design: An oval medal with an attached circular wire suspension eye

Obverse: The image of Franz Joseph I facing to the viewers right and wearing the uniform of an Austrian Field Marshal and the Order of the Golden Fleece. In front of the collar of the bust is inscribed **FRANZ JOSEPH I**. Behind the bust is a coat of arms.

Reverse: On a plain field are crossed boughs of oak and laurel with the laurel bough on the viewers left and the oak on the right. Above the boughs is an inscription which reads: **BERG ISEL / 1908**. Translation: Berg Isel 1908. Above the date are two additional crossed boughs of laurel and oak. Above the boughs is a two line inscription with the first line following the contour of the medal. The inscription reads **MEISTERSCHAFTS / SCHIESSEN**. Translation: Shooting Championship.

Weight:

- Silver Medal: Unknown
- Bronze Medal: 14.7 grams



Size: 39-31-43.8 by 33.3mm

Type of Material: Silver plated bronze and bronze

Variations: None Known

Designer: Johann Christelbauer and Son

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: White

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Emperor Jubilee State Shoot Medal 1908

(Kaiser Jubilaums Bundesschiessenmedaille 1908)



Date Issued: 1908
Reason Issued: To commemorate the state shoot on the occasion of the Emperor's 60 year jubilee in 1908
Classes or Types: One known
Interesting Facts: The obverse of this medal is the same as that of the Franz Joseph 60 year Jubilee medal that was issued as an unofficial commemorative medal.

- The First national shoot had been held in 1880 in Vienna, the second in Innsbruck in 1885, the third in Graz in 1889 and the forth in Brunn in 1892, the fifth in Vienna in 1898 and the sixth in Vienna in 1908.

Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with an attached suspension eye
Obverse: Inside a raised rim is a stylized frame with the imperial crown of Austria and the Royal Hungarian crown at the top. The Austrian crown is on the left. At the top of the frame but below the crowns are two laurel boughs. Laurel boughs are also found at the bottom of the frames and above the orbs for Austria, which is on the left and that of Hungary, which is on the right. Within the frame on the left side is the bust of the young emperor facing to the viewers right. On the right side of the frame is the bust of the emperor as he appears on the sixtieth anniversary of his reign facing to the viewers left. The two busts are separated by a septum, which divides the frame. Below the orbs are two dates in small rectangular frames. Below the orb for Austria is the date **1848** and below the orb for Hungary is the date **1908.**
Reverse: Inside a raised rime on a plain field is a target superimposed over four flags. Below the target are two crossed rifles. Below the rifles are crossed laurel and oak boughs, with the oak on the viewers left, tied with a bow. Around the upper two thirds of the medal is the inscription **KAISER JUBILAUMS BUNDESS-CHIESSEN 1908.** Translation: Emperor Jubilee State Shoot 1908.
Weight: 16.3 grams
Size: 33-33.3 mm
Type of Material: Bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Gustav Gurshcner
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

6th Moravian Shooting Society and Emperial Jubilee Shoot Medal

(6. Mährischer Schützenverein und kaiserliche Jubiläumsschießenmedaille)



Date Issued: 1908

Reason Issued: To commemorate the 6th Moravian Shooting Society and Imperial Jubilee shoot held in Muglitsz in 1908

Classes or Types: One known

Interesting Facts:

- The obverse of this medal is the same as that of the Franz Joseph 60 year Jubilee medal that was issued as an unofficial commemorative medal and the Emperor Jubilee State Shoot Medal found above.
- The First shoot had been held in 1881 in Schoenberg Moravia, the second in Olmutz Moravia in 1884, the third in Moravska Trebova in 1886 and the forth in Neuitschein Moravia in 1891, the fifth in Iglau in 1894, the sixth in Moravska Ostrava in 1896, the seventh in Iglau in 1899, the eighth in Brunn in 1901, The ninth in Olmutz in 1903 (for which a plaque, rather then a medal was issued), the tenth in Ostrava in 1906, the eleventh in Schonberg in 1910 and the twelfth in Iglau in 1912.
- Additional shooting festivals other than the Moravian State Shoots were held in Salzburg in 1868 and 1879

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A round medal with an attached suspension eye

Obverse: Inside a raised rim is a stylized frame with the imperial crown of Austria and the Royal Hungarian crown at the top. The Austrian crown is on the left. At the top of the frame but below the crowns are two laurel boughs. Laurel boughs are also found at the bottom of the frames and above the orbs for Austria, which is on the left and that of Hungary, which is on the right. Within the frame on the left side is the bust of the young emperor facing to the viewers right. On the right side of the frame is the bust of the emperor as he appears on the sixtieth anniversary of his reign facing to the viewers left. The two busts are separated by a septum, which divides the frame. Below the orbs are two dates in small rectangular frames. Below the orb for Austria is the date **1848** and below the orb for Hungary is the date **1908.**

Reverse: Inside a raised rime on a plain field is a eight line inscription within a wreath made of an oak bough on the viewers left and a laurel bough on the right. The inscription reads as follows: **VI. / MAHRISCHES / VERBANDS U. KAISER -/ JUBILAUMSSCHIESSEN / IN MUGLITZ / 6 BIS 10. JUNI / 1908.** Translation: Sixth Moravian society and emperor jubilee shoot in Muglitz from 6 to 10 June, 1908.

Weight: 16.3 grams

Size: 33-34 mm

Type of Material: Bronze gilt

Variations: None known

Designer: Gustav Gurshcner

Manufacturer: Unknown

Miniature: None known

6th Moravian Shooting Society and Emperial Jubilee Shoot Medal

(6. Mährischer Schützenverein und kaiserliche Jubiläumsschießenmedaille)

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Kitzbuhel Shoot Commemorative Medal

(Kitzbühler Schützengedenkmedaille)



Date Issued: August 1908 **Silver Medal**

Reason Issued: To commemorate the Kaiser Franz Joseph 60 year reign jubilee shooting festival at the district shooting range in Kitzbuhel

Classes or Types: Two: Silver Medal and Bronze Medal

Interesting Facts: None known

Design: A quadrilateral shaped medal with a round suspension eye.

Obverse: In the center of the medal is a round medallion on which is the image of the Emperor Franz Joseph in a field marshal's uniform with decorations and the order of the Golden Fleece facing to the viewers left. Around the upper half of the medallion starting at the eight o'clock position and ending at the three o'clock position is an inscription in two lines that reads **KAISER FRANZ JOSEF JUBILAUMS-FEST-SCHIESSEN / AUGUST 1908.** Translation: Emperor Franz Joseph jubilee festival shoot August 1908. In the space outside the medallion in each corner of the medal are laurel boughs. On the lower edge of the center medallion is the name of the medalist.

Reverse: In the center of the medal in a stylized plaque is the image of a chamois standing atop a mountain. Above it is a ribbon on which is inscribed: **K.K. BEZIRKSSCHIESSSTAND.** Translation: Imperial and royal district shooting range. Below the plaque with the chamois is a second plaque on which is inscribed **KITZBUHEL** These elements are superimposed over a field of oak leaves and boughs.

Weight:

- Silver Medal: Unknown
- Bronze Medal: 16.5 grams

Size: 30 by 30 mm

Type of Material: Silver plated bronze and bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Reinemer and Spiegel

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: A thin ribbon which is 1/3 red, 1/3 white and 1/3 yellow

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Kitzbuhel Shoot Commemorative Medal

(Kitzbühler Schützengedenkmedaille)





Bronze Medal

Emperor's Jubilee and Shooting Festival in Bolzono Medal, 1908

(Emperor's Jubilee and Shooting Festival in Bozen Medal, 1908)



Date Issued: May 4, 1908

Reason Issued: To commemorate the 60 year jubilee of the Emperor Franz Joseph's and the shooting festival at the Archduke Eugen Shooting range in Bozen in the Tyrol in 1908

Classes or Types: Two

- Gold Medal
- Silver Medal

Interesting Facts: There were 12 shooting tournaments held in Bozen those for which the dates are known are in 1888, 1908, 1909 and 1910 and 1911

Hallmarks: None Known

Design: A round medal with an attached ball shaped eye.

Obverse: The portraits of Franz Joseph as he appeared in 1848 on the viewers left and as he looked in 1908 on the right. Above his busts is the imperial crown with the date **1848** on the viewers left and **1908** on the right. Below the busts is an inscription in three lines which reads: **REGIERUNGS - JUBILAUMS / SR. MAJES-TAT KAISER / FRANZ JOSEF I**. Translation: Jubilee of the reign of the his majesty the Emperor Franz Joseph. Around the upper two thirds of the medal starting at the eight o'clock position and ending at the four o'clock position is an inscription as follows: **KAISER JUBILAUMS SCHIESSEN ZUR FEIER DES 60 JAHRIGEN.** Translation: Shoot to celebrate the 60th Emperor anniversary jubilee.

Reverse: A plain background is a tableau featuring a seated Bozen city goddess holding the imperial crown in her left hand and a sword in her right. On either side of her are the Hapsburg imperial eagle on the viewers right and a crowned eagle with a rifle in its talons on the left. Below her is the coat of arms of Bozen. Around the tableau is inscribed starting at the eight o'clock position and ending at the four o'clock position is the following inscription: **AM K.u.K. HAUPTSCHIESSTANDE ERZHERZOG EUGEN IN BOZEN** with the following portion of the inscription reversed **VOM 20 APRIL–4 MAI 1908.** Translation: On the Imperial and Royal shoot at the Imperial and Royal main shooting range Archduke Eugen in Bozen from April 20, to May 4, 1908.

Weight:

- Gold Medal: 56.2 grams
- Silver Medal: 35.7 grams

Size: 42 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Gold and 900 fine silver

Variations: None

Designer: Schneider Brothers

Emperor's Jubilee and Shooting Festival in Bolzono Medal, 1908

(Emperor's Jubilee and Shooting Festival in Bozen Medal, 1908)

Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Bregenz Shooting Competition Commemoration Medal

(Bregenzer Schießwettbewerb Erinnerungsmedaille)



Date Issued: November 1908

Reason Issued: Issued to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Reign of Emperor Franz Joseph and the Bregenz Shooting Competition.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: Held at the Franz Joseph Shooting range in Bregenz

- This medal was also issued as a table medal

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A round medal with raised rim

Obverse: Inside the raised rim in the center of the medal, on a plain field is bust of the emperor facing to the viewers right in a field marshals uniform with decoration including the Order of the Golden Fleece and wearing an overcoat. Behind his neck is the date **1848** and in front of his chin is the date **1908.** Around the medal on a raised area is a two part inscription. The upper part starts at the 11 o'clock position and ends at the two o'clock position. It reads **Kaiser Franz Josef 1.** The bottom inscription starts at the nine o'clock position and ends at the three o'clock position and reads as follows **Jubilaums –und Landesfest Schiessen.** Translation: Jubilee and National Festival Shoot. The two parts of the inscription are separated by asterisks

Reverse: Inside the raised rim in the center of the medal is a view of the city center of Bregenz. Around the medal on a raised area is an inscription. The inscription reads clockwise starting at the seven o'clock position as follows. **K. k. Landeshaupt schiessstand Bregenz. Kaiser Franz Josef 1**. Translation: Imperial and Royal shooting range Bregenz Emperor Franz Joseph I. At the bottom of the medal at the six o'clock position is inscribed **Bregenz.B.** At the bottom of the image of the city in the six o'clock position above the inscription is the name of the medalist: **CHRISTLBAUER WIEN**

Weight: 26.1grams

Size: 44.2 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Silver

Variations: None known

Designer: Johann Christlbauer und Sohn

Manufacturer: Kounitsky

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Emperor Jubilee and Sixth National Shoot Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille zum Kaiserjubiläum und sechsten Nationalschießen)



Date Issued: 1908

Reason Issued: Issued to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Reign of Emperor Franz Joseph and the sixth national shooting Competition in Vienna.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: Interesting Facts: The First national shoot had been held in 1880 in Vienna, the second in Innsbruck in 1885, the third in Graz in 1889 and the forth in Brunn in 1892, the fifth in Vienna in 1898 and the sixth in Vienna in 1908.

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A seven sided medal

Obverse: In the center of the medal, on a plain field is bust of the emperor in hunting costume facing to the viewers right. Behind his neck is inscribed in two lines: **FRANZ / JOSEF I.**

Reverse: Inside the raised border in the center of the medal is a view of the city center of Vienna. Around the medal on a raised area is an inscription. The inscription reads clockwise starting at the eight o'clock position as follows. **KAISER . JUB . U . VI. O. BUNDES. SCHIESSEN**. Translation: Imperial jubilee and sixth national shoot. At the bottom of the medal at the six o'clock position is a shooting target**.**

Weight: 68 grams

Size: 20.3 by 19.2 mm

Type of Material: Bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Josef Speckbacher Monument Commemorative Medal

(Josef-Speckbacher-Denkmal-Denkmünze)



Date Issued: August 1908
Reason Issued: To commemorate the monument to Josef Speckbacher in Hall
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: Josef Speckbacher was a Tyrolean freedom fighter with Andreas Hofer during the Napoleonic wars.
Design: A quadrilateral shaped medal with a round suspension eye.
Obverse: In the center of the medal is the image of Josef Speckbacher in Tyrolean dress facing to the viewers left. On either side of the image of Speckbacher are oak boughs. At the bottom of the medal is the date **1809.**
Reverse: In the center of the medal on a plain field are two shields with coats of arms. The one on the viewers right has the arms of Tyrol and the one on the left the arms of the city of Hall. Above the shields near the edge of the medal is inscribed: **SPECKBACHER DENKMAL.** Translation: Speckbacher monument . Below the shields is inscribed in two lines **HALL I.T. / 1908**. Translation Hall 1908.
Weight: Unknown
Size: 30 by 30 mm
Type of Material: Gilt bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Mais Christmas Shoot Medal 1909

(Mais Christmas Schiessenmedaille1909)



Date Issued: December 29, 1909
Reason Issued: To commemorate the Christmas shoot in Mais on December 16-29, 1909
Classes or Types: One known
Interesting Facts: Unknown
Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with an attached wedge suspension eye
Obverse: A scene featuring a shooter in hunting clothes in a competition shooting station featuring a target decorated with oak leaves and a ribbon and a post behind him decorated with laurel boughs.
Reverse: Inside a raised rime is a wreath of laurel leaves which follows the contour of the medal. Inside the wreath is an inscription on the upper half of the medal which follows its contour. The inscription reads **WEI□HNACHTS - SCHIESSEN**. Translation: Christmas Eve Shoot. In the center of the medal on a plain field is a four line inscription which reads: *** VOM * / 16-29. DEZ. / *1909* / . Mais**. Translation: from 16-29 December 1909 MAIS.
Weight: 12.6 grams
Size: 31 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Silver plated base metal
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None know

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Bregenz Uprising 100 Year Jubilee Medal

(100-Jahr-Jubiläumsmedaille des Bregenzer Aufstands)



Date Issued: August 30-31, 1909
Reason Issued: To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the uprising in Bregenz in Vorarlberg against the French.
Classes or Types: One known
Interesting Facts: This medal was also issued as a table medal
Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with an attached wedge shaped suspension eye
Obverse: A scene featuring the armed citizens of Bregenz rising up against Napoleon and the French. At the bottom of the medal is an inscription in script.
Reverse: On a plain background is an inscription in seven lines. The inscription reads **JAHRHUNDERT / = FEIER = / DER / BEFREIVNGSKAMPFE / = VORARLBERGE = / BREGENZ / 30/31. AVGVST /1909.** Translation: Century Celebration of the fight for liberty of Bregenz in Vorarlberg 30/31, August 1909.
Weight: 25.5 grams
Size: 36 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: J. Pfiffrader
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Half white and Half red with the white on the viewers left.
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known



Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Anton Wallner Monument Unveiling Commemoration Medal

(Anton-Wallner-Denkmal enthüllt Gedenkmedaille)



Date Issued: September 12, 1909
Reason Issued: To commemorate the unveiling of the monument to Anton Wallner in Krimml in 1909.
Classes or Types: One known
Interesting Facts: Unknown
Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an attached round suspension eye
Obverse: Inside a raised rim in the center of the medal is the image of Anton Wallner facing to the viewers left. Around the image on a raised area is inscribed starting at the nine o'clock position and ending at the three o'clock position as follows: **ANTON WALLNER 1809**. At the bottom of the medal in the raised area are crossed laurel boughs.
Reverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain background is an inscription in nine lines, the first and last of which are curved to conform to the shape of the medal. The inscription reads **ERINNERUNG / AN DIE / EN-THULLUNGSFEIER / DES / ANTON WALLNER / DENKMALS IN /KRIMML / 12. SEPT.1909.** Translation: In commemoration of the unvailing of the Anton Wallner monument in Kriml 12 September, 1909.
Weight: Unknown
Size: Unknown
Type of Material: Bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Carinthia Battles Centenary Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille zum 100. Jahrestag der Kärntner Schlachten)



Date Issued: 1909

Reason Issued: To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the battles fought in Carinthia.

Classes or Types: Two: Silver Medal and Bronze Medal

Interesting Facts: This medal also came as a table medal

Hallmarks: 1872-1922, 750 fine silver large article hallmark

Design: A round medal with a raised rim and a ball shaped eye

Obverse: Inside a raised rim are the images of captain Johann von Hermann and captain Friedrich Hensel side by side facing toward the center of the medal. Below the captains images is a medallion at the six o'clock position with the image of Oberfeuer Ignaz Rauch Above the images is an inscription in which starts at the nine o'clock position and ends at the three o'clock position which reads **HAUPTMANN JOHANN V.HERMANN HAUPTMANN FREIDERICH HENSEL.** At the top of the medal at the 12 o'clock position is a cross. Between the captains images is inscribed in 10 lines **DEN / HELDINHUTIGEN / VERTEI-DIGERN / DER / BLOCKHAUSER / PREDIL / 15-18 MAI / UND MALBORCHET / 14-17. MAI 1809**. Translation: The Heroic defenders of the blockhouse at Predil on the 15-18 of May and Malborchet on the 14-17 of May 1809. Near the edge of the medal at the five o'clock position is the name of the medalist: **E. THURNER**

Reverse: Inside a raised rim is a brick wall with vines growing on it. In the center of this will is a triangle of larger stones. At the base of this triangle is a lion. Above the lion is a six line inscription as follows: **ZUR JAHRHUNDERTFEIER / DER / RUHREICHEN KAMPFE / IN KARNTEN 1809.** Translation: To celebrate the centennial of the glorious battles in Corinthia 1809. Below the lion is inscribed in six lines **GEWID-MET / VOM / KARNTNER VEREIN / "ALPENROSE" / IN WIEN/ 1909**. Translation: Dedicated by the Carinthian Society "Alpenrose" in Vienna 1909. Near the edge of the medal at the five o'clock position is the name of the medalist: **E. THURNER**

Weight:

- Silver Medal: Unknown
- Bronze Medal: Unknown

Size: 36 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Silver plated bronze and bronze

Variations: None

Designer: E. Thurner

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: None

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

The Brixen Shooting Festival Medal, 1910

(Brixen Scheissenfestmedaille, 1910)





Date Issued: June 15, 1910

Reason Issued: To commemorate the Peter Mayr Festival and shoot in Brixen in 1910

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts:

- Tyrolian freedom fighter Peter Mayr was killed in 1810 by the French for resisting their occupation and thus became a hero.
- This medal was also issued as a table medal

Hallmarks: None Known

Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an attached circular eye

Obverse: On a raised field around the edge of the medal is inscribed **PETER MAYR FEST u FREIS-CHIESSEN BRIXEN A/ E 1910**. Translation: Peter Mayer Festival and Free Shoot Brixen in 1910. Inside the inscription is patterned background on which is a shield with the coat of arms of Brixen.

Reverse: A tableau with Peter Mayr's wife beseeching a man in uniform not to kill her husband at the prison in Balzano. On the right side of the medal at the three o'clock position is the name of the designer Johann **CHRISTILBAUER WIEN**.



Weight: 30.1 grams

Size: 46 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Silver

Variations: None known

Designer: Johann Christlbauer

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Case: A simulated red leather case with a white satin interior inside the lid which has an gilt inscription five lines : **-Peter Mayer- / Fest. u. Freischiessen / in / BRIXEN a/e. / 5-15 JUNI 1910.** The second line of the inscription is curved. Below the inscription is a decorative element.

Ribbon: None

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Andreas Hofer Commemorative Medal

(Andreas-Hofer Gedenkmedaille)



Date Issued: 1910
Reason Issued: To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the death of the Tyrolean hero Andreas Hofer
Classes or Types: One known
Interesting Facts: None known
Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with an attached round suspension eye in a stem
Obverse: Inside a raised rim is a fine beaded line. Inside the beaded line on a plain field is the bust of Andreas Hofer facing out. To the viewers left of the bust at the nine o'clock position is the word: **ANDREAS.** To the viewers right of the bust at the three o'clock position is the word: **HOFER.**
Reverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain field in the center of the medal is a two line inscription as follows: "**22. NOV.1767 / 20.FEBR.1810.** Translation: 22 November 1767 20 February 1810. (these are the birthday and death day of Andreas Hofer. Above the first date is a star and between the first date and the second is a cross. Surrounding the inscription is a laurel wreath tied at the bottom with a bow.
Weight: Unknown
Size: Unknown
Type of Material: Bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

54th Infantry Regiment, 250th Anniversary Commemorative Medal

(54. Infanterieregiments 250. Jahrestag Gedenkmedaille)



Date Issued: 1911
Reason Issued: To commemorate the 250th anniversary of the establishment of the 54th infantry regiment
Classes or Types: One known
Interesting Facts: None known
Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with an attached round suspension eye
Obverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain field are the busts of Field Marshal Ernst Rudiger Count Starhemberg facing to the viewers right. Around the upper two thirds of the medal starting at the eight o'clock position and ending at the four o'clock position is inscribed: **F.M. ERNST RUDIGER GRAF VON STARHEMBERG.** Translation: Field Marshal Ernst Rudiger Count Starhemberg.
Reverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain field in the center of the medal is a eight line inscription as follows: "**DRZTE / SE / HANACI !" / 250 JAHRE / ALT-STARHEMBERG / INFANTERIE / No 54 / 1661 1911.** Translation: Hold Hanaci! 250 years Old Starhemberg Infantry No 54 1661 1911.
Weight: Unknown
Size: Unknown
Type of Material: Silver
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Bolzano Shoot Medal 1911

(Bozen Schiessenmedaille1911)



Date Issued: April 1911

Reason Issued: To commemorate the shooting competition to celebrate the addition of the municipality of Zwolfmalgrein to Bolzano in 1911

Classes or Types: Two, Silver Medal and Bronze Medal

Interesting Facts: This medal was also issued at a table medal

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A round medal with an attached ornamental suspension eye

Obverse: On a plain field are the busts of the Burgermeisters of Bolzano and Zwolfmagrein facing to the viewers left. To the left of the busts is the name of the nearest Burgermeister: **Dr. FRANZ . V . HEP-PERGER** and to the right the name of the other Burgermeister: **Dr. JULIUS PERATHONER.** Below the busts are the coats of arms of the two municipalities superimposed over oak leaves.

Reverse: In the center portion of the medal near the top is an eagle perched on a target with the coat of arms of Bolzano in its center behind which are crossed rifles and flags. Below this is inscribed **OSTERN 1911.** Translation: Easter 1911. Below the inscription is a depiction of sunrise over the city of Bolzano and its surrounding mountains. At the left of this scene opposite a city tower at the eight o'clock position are the initials **F.K.** Around the outer edge of the medal and separated form the scene in the center by a fine line is an inscription starting and ending at the 11 o'clock position which reads **VEREINIGUNG DER GEMEINDE ZWOLF-MALGREIEN MIT STADT BOZEN . FEST U FREISCHIESSEN -.** Translation: Amalgamation of the community of Zwolfmalgrein with the city of Bolzano Festival and Free Shoot.

Weight:

- Silver Medal: 40.7 Grams
- Bronze Medal: 36 grams

Size: 45 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Silver

Variations: None known

Designer: Richard Placht and Kaunitzky

Manufacturer: Vienna Huptmunzampt (Mint)

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Brno Civic Shooting Society for 20-year membership Medal

(Brünner Bürgerlichen Schützengesellschaft für 20jährige Mitgliedschaftmedaille)



Date Issued: 1911
Reason Issued: To commemorate 20 years membership in the Brno Civic Shooting Society.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: None Known
Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with an attached round suspension eye
Obverse: On the lower part of the medal on a plain field is a medallion featuring the imperial coat of arms with the letters **F.III**. Above the coat of arms is the imperial crown. The coat of arms is superimposed over a double headed eagle, crossed rifles and crossed oak boughs. Above the coat of arms is a three line inscription the first line of which follows the contour of the medal. The inscription reads: **BRUNNER BURGERLI-CHE / SCHUTZEN- / GESELLSCHAFT.** Translation: Brno citizen shooting society.
Reverse: On a plain field is a scene of mountainous terrain with the Brno shooting facility in the foreground featuring four flag poles. To the viewers right of the shooting facility is the image of a citizen member waving a hunters hat in his right hand and holding a rifle resting on a shooting target in his left. Next to his right arm is a four line engraved inscription which reads: **FUR / 20 JAHR. / MITGLIEDSCHAFT / 1891-1911.** Translation: For 20 years membership 1891-1911.
Weight: 25.2 grams
Size: 39 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Silver
Variations: None known
Designer: Schneider Brothers
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Officers Best Shot Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für den besten Schuss des Offiziers)



Date Issued: 1911
Reason Issued: To commemorate the officers best shot competition in Budapest.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: None Known
Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an attached wedge shaped suspension eye
Obverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain field is the image of Emperor Franz Joseph in uniform with decorations, facing to the viewers right. Above the image of the emperor is the following inscription: **VIRIBUS UNITIS.** Translation: With unites Strength.
Reverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain field is the image of a shooting target behind which are crossed swords and rifles. Below the target is a plaque with the word and date **BUDAPEST 1911**. Behind the plaque is a laurel bough. Around the upper half of the medal is an inscription which reads: **ZUR ERINNERUNG AN DAS OFFIZIERS BEST SCHIESSEN.** Translation: In commemoration of the Officers best shoot. On the lower half of the medal is an inscription with the same meaning as the upper inscription in Hungarian as follows: **A TISZTI DIJLOVESZET EMLEKERE.** There are asterisks separating the two inscriptions.
Weight: 25.2 grams
Size: 37 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: One third red, one third green, one third white (the Hungarian national colors)
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Balzano Shoot Medal 1912

(Balzano Scheissenmedal 1912)



Date Issued: April, 1912

Reason Issued: To commemorate the opening of the main shooting range named after Archduke Eugene in Balzano in April, 1912

Classes or Types: One known

Interesting Facts:

- This is a cast medal
- This medal was also issued as a table medal

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A round medal with an attached suspension eye

Obverse: A scene featuring Archduke Eugen wearing the insignia of the Hoch und Deutchmeister on horseback. Below the image is a gnarled oak tree. Above the image at the 10 o'clock position is inscribed **ERZHERZOG . EUGEN.** Translation: Archduke Eugen. Behind the horses tail is the number **800.** A reference to 800 fine silver. Below the horse at the six o'clock position is the following inscription: **ENTW A. STOLZ BOZEN**

Reverse: Inside a raised rime is the image of the main shooting range club house. Above this image is an inscription in six lines which reads **GEDENKSMUNZE / ZUR FEIERLICHEN . ER – / OFFNUNG DES NEUEN K.K. / HAUPTSCHIESSSTANDES ERZ / HERZOG EUGEN IN BOZEN / APRIL –1912**. Translation: Commemorative medallion for the celebration of the opening of the new Imperial and Royal main range named for Archduke Eugen in Balzano April 1912. Below the image of the clubhouse is a plaque with a star surrounded by oak leaves and acorns. At the eight o'clock position is the name of the Mint that struck the medals: **OG. LINDNER**

Weight: 26.7-30.9 grams

Size: 43.5-44 mm in diameter and at the three o'clock position its location: **MUNCHEN**

Type of Material: 800 fine Silver

Variations: None known

Designer: A. Stolz

Manufacturer: OG Lindner Munich

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: A green ribbon with white edge stripes

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Shooting Championship Berg Isel 1912 Medal

(Meisterschafts Schiessen Berg Isel 1912 Medaille)



Date Issued: 1912

Reason Issued: To commemorate the National Shooting Championship in Berg Isel in 1912

Classes or Types: One known

Interesting Facts: The same obverse was used on the 1901 National Shooting Championship Medal, the Berg Isel 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1908, 1912, 1913 and 1914 medals and the Salzburg 1902, 1903, 1904, and 1905 Shooting Championship Medals.

Hallmarks: None known

Design: An oval medal with an attached circular wire suspension eye

Obverse: The image of Franz Joseph I facing to the viewers right and wearing the uniform of an Austrian Field Marshal and the Order of the Golden Fleece. In front of the collar of the bust is inscribed **FRANZ JOSEPH I**. Behind the bust is a coat of arms.

Reverse: On a plain field are crossed boughs composed of an oak bough on the viewers left and a laurel bough on the right, Above the boughs is an inscription which follows the contour of the medal. The inscription reads **MEISTERSCHAFTS SCHIESSEN**. Translation: Shooting Championship. Below the boughs is an inscription in two lines the second of which is curved. The inscription reads: **1912 / BERG ISEL**. Translation: Berg Isel 1912. Below this inscription at the six o'clock position is the name of the medalist: **CHRISTLBAUER WIEN**



Weight: 13.9 grams

Size: 43.8 by 33.3 mm

Type of Material: Silver

Variations: None known

Designer: Johann Christelbauer and Son

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Case: A red leather case with an inscription reading in three lines **Meisterschaftsschiessen / Berg Isel / 1912** on the inner lid. The bottom interior is fitted felt.

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Launch of the Battle Ship Viribus Unitis Commemoration Medal

(Einführung der Gedenkmedaille für das Schlachtschiff Viribus Unitis)



Date Issued: 1912
Reason Issued: To commemorate the Launch of the Battle Ship Viribus Unitis
Classes or Types: One known
Interesting Facts: SMS Viribus Unitis was an Austro-Hungarian dreadnought battleship, Viribus Unitis was launched on 24 June 1911 and was formally commissioned into the Austro-Hungarian Navy on 5 December 1912. During World War I, Viribus Unitis took part in the flight of the German battlecruiser SMS Goeben and light cruiser Breslau. In May 1915, she also took part in the bombardment of the Italian port city of Ancona. Viribus Unitis was sunk while at anchor by limpet mines emplaced by Italian sailors on 1 November 1918.
Hallmarks: None known
Design: An round medal with a raised rim and an attached circular suspension eye
Obverse: Inside a raised rim is the image of an emperor wearing a crown, facing to the viewers left. Around the edge of the medal starting at the seven o'clock position and ending at the four o'clock position is inscribed **VIRIBVS VNITIS**. Translation: With united strength. At the bottom of the medal near the edge are three asterisks.
Reverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain field is the image of a sailing ship, Around the edge of the medal is an inscription which starts near the nine o'clock position and ends at the four o'clock position. The inscription reads **SECVRIT IN TEMPESTATE**. Translation: Save in the storm. At the bottom of the medal near the edge are three decorative elements.
Weight: 2.6 grams
Size: 19.3 mm
Type of Material: Copper
Variations: None known
Designer: Johann Christelbauer and Son
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.
Case: A red leather case with an inscription reading in three lines **Meisterschaftsschiessen / Berg Isel / 1912** on the inner lid. The bottom interior is fitted felt.
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Klagenfurt Shooting Corps Competitive Shoot Commemoration Medal

(Klagenfurter Schießsport-Gedenkmedaille)



Date Issued: 1912
Reason Issued: To reward outstanding shoots in the Klasgenfurt Shooting Corps
Classes or Types: One known
Interesting Facts: None known
Hallmarks: None known
Design: An round medal with an attached circular suspension eye
Obverse: The image of a female figure, facing to the viewers right, adding a laurel bough to an arbor.
Reverse: On a plain field is a four line inscription as follows: **KORPS- / PREISSCHIESSEN / KLAGEN-FURT / 1912.** Translation: Corps competitive shoot Klagenfurt 1912. To the viewers left of the inscription is a decorative element composed of an oak and a laurel bough.
Weight: Unknown
Size: 34 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Unveiling of the Memorial to the Maiden of the Battle of Spinges Commemoration Medal

(Enthüllung des Denkmals für die Jungfrau der Schlacht von Spinges Gedenkmedaille)



Date Issued: June 29,1912
Reason Issued: To commemorate the unveiling of the memorial to the maiden of the Battle of Spinges
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: None known
Hallmarks: None known
Design: An round medal with an attached circular suspension eye
Obverse: The image of a standing female figure, facing to the viewers right with a pitchfork in her right hand, Around the edge of the medal starting at the seven o'clock position and ending at the five o'clock position is an inscription as follows: **HELDENMADCHEN VON SPINGES**. Translation: The girl hero of Spinges. On the rock on which the maiden is standing is the name of the medalist: **DESCHLER MUNCHEN.**
Reverse: On a plain field is the Tyrolean coat of arms. Around it near the edge of the medal is a two part inscription. The upper part starts at the nine o'clock position and ends at the three o'clock position. It reads as follows: **DENKMALENTHULLUNGSFEIER.** Translation: Monument Unveiling Ceremony. The lower part starts at the nine o'clock position and ends at the three o'clock position. It reads as follows: **BUCHENSTEIN 23. JUNI 1912.** Translation: Buchenstein June 23, 1912.
Weight: Silver Medal: 18.2-18.5 grams
Size: Unknown
Type of Material: Silver plated zinc
Variations: None known
Designer: J. Deschler
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Shooting Championship Berg Isel 1913 Medal

(Meisterschafts Schiessen Berg Isel 1913 Medaille)



Date Issued: 1913

Reason Issued: To commemorate the National Shooting Championship in Berg Isel in 1913

Classes or Types: One known

Interesting Facts: The same obverse was used on the 1901 National Shooting Championship Medal, the Berg Isel 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1908, 1912, 1913 and 1914 medals and the Salzburg 1902, 1903, 1904, and 1905 Shooting Championship Medals.

Hallmarks: None known

Design: An oval medal with an attached circular wire suspension eye

Obverse: The image of Franz Joseph I facing to the viewers right and wearing the uniform of an Austrian Field Marshal and the Order of the Golden Fleece. In front of the collar of the bust is inscribed **FRANZ JOSEPH I**. Behind the bust is a coat of arms.

Reverse: On a plain field are crossed boughs composed of an oak bough on the viewers left and a laurel bough on the right, Above the boughs is an inscription which follows the contour of the medal. The inscription reads **MEISTERSCHAFTS SCHIESSEN**. Translation: Shooting Championship. Below the boughs is an inscription in two lines the second of which is curved. The inscription reads: **1913 / BERG ISEL**. Translation: Berg Isel 1912. Below this inscription at the six o'clock position is the name of the medalist: **CHRISTLBAUER WIEN**



Weight: 15.7 grams

Size: 43.8 by 33.3 mm

Type of Material: Bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Johann Christelbauer and Son

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Case: A red leather case with an inscription reading in three lines **Meisterschaftsschiessen / Berg Isel / 1913** on the inner lid. The bottom interior is fitted felt.

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Establishment of the Kirchbichl Shooting Range Commemorative Medal

(Etablierung der Kirchbichl Schießplatz Gedenkmedaille)



Date Issued: June 1, 1913
Reason Issued: To commemorate the opening of the Kirchbichl shooting range and the patronage of Archduke Karl Franz Josef on June 1, 1912
Classes or Types: One known
Interesting Facts: Unknown
Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with an attached hook shaped suspension eye
Obverse: A scene featuring oak leaves at the top and bottom of the medal. In the center on the viewers left is a marksman shooting a rifle. On the right is a stylized shield with the date **1. Juni / 1913** in two lines. At the bottom center of the medal is a rectangular plain field on which is a six line inscription which reads **Einweihung und / Protektoratsubernahme / durch Seine k.u.k. Hoheit Erzherzog Karl Franz Josef / des kk Gemieindesohiesds / standes Kircchbichi.** Translation: Inauguration and assumption of the role of patron by his Imperial and Royal Highness Archduke Karl Franz Josef of the Imperial and Royal Municipality of Kirchbichi
Reverse: Plain
Weight: Unknown
Size: 37.5-38 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Silver plated bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

100 Year Anniversary of the Wars of Liberation Commemorative Medal

(100-jähriges Jubiläum der Befreiungskriege Gedenkmedaille)



Date Issued: 1913

Reason Issued: To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the wars of liberation against Napoleon

Classes or Types: one

Interesting Facts: This medal was also issued as a table medal.

Hallmarks: 990 silver mark on the edge of the medal

Design: A round medal with a raised rim and a loop shaped suspension eye.

Obverse: Inside a raised rim is a beaded line**.** Inside the beaded line in the center of the medal are three oval medallions within which are the images of the victors in the Napoleonic Wars and an inscription with their names as follows. From the top clockwise they are: Fredrick Wilhelm III, inscribed: **FRIEDR.WILHELM. III. KONIG V. PREUSSEN,** Franz I, inscribed: **FRANZ I KAISER V. OESTERREICH,** Alexander I, inscribed: **ALEXANDER I. KAISSER V. RUSSLAND.** Above and below the three medallions are laurel boughs. At the bottom of the medal starting at the six o'clock position is the name of the medalist: **L.CHR.LAUER NEURNBERG.**

Reverse: Inside a raised rim is a beaded line**.** Inside the beaded line in the center of the medal is a battle scene depicting the storming of the Grimma Gate in Leipzig. The scene is framed by a raised circle in a rope pattern. Inside the rope frame starting at the 10 o'clock position and ending at the one o'clock position is the following inscription: **ERSTURMUNG DES GREMMAISCHEN TORES.** Translation: Storming of the Grimma gate. Around the edge of the medal starting at the eight o'clock position and ending at the four o'clock position is the following inscription: **ZUR ERINNERUNG AN DIE BEFREIUNGSKRIEGE.** Translation: In commemoration of thee Wars of Liberation. At the bottom of the medal at the six o'clock position is the date **1813.** On either side of the date is a laurel bough.

Weight: 18.7 grams

Size: 33.5 mm in diameter

Type of Material: 990 fine silver

Variations: None

Designer: Ludwig Christian Lauer

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: None

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Battle of Nations Monument Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille zum Völkerschlachtdenkmal)



Date Issued: 1913
Reason Issued: To commemorate the unveiling of the Battle of Nations Monument.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts:

- The Battle of Nations was also called the Battle of the Four Eagles
- This medal was part of a series to commemorate this famous battle

Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with an attached loop suspension eye
Obverse: In the center of the medal is depicted the Battle of Nations Monument. Around the upper edge of the medal starting at the 10 o'clock position and ending at the two o'clock position is an inscription that reads: **VOLKERSCHLACHT DENKMAL.** Translation: Battle of Nations Monument. On either side of the monument are the dates **1813**, on the left and **1913** on the right
Reverse: Plain with the following inscription near the six o'clock position **GES/GESCH** (made from cannon) next to a medalist logo.
Weight: 6.1 grams
Size: 24 mm
Type of Material: Bronze
Variations: None
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

The 100th Anniversary of the Battle of the Nations Monument Medal

(Medaille zum 100. Jahrestag der Völkerschlacht)



Date Issued: 1913

Reason Issued: To commemorate the unveiling of the 100th anniversary of the Battle of Nations monument.

Classes or Types: Two: Silver Medal and Bronze Medal

Interesting Facts:

- The Battle of Nations was also called the Battle of the Four Eagles
- This medal was part of a series to commemorate this famous battle
- This medal was also issued in a table medal.

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A round medal with an attached oblong suspension eye

Obverse: On a plain field is depicted four eagles in flight fighting with talons extended. Around the upper edge of the medal starting near the nine o'clock position and ending near the five o'clock position is an inscription which reads: **16-18 OKTOBER 1813.**

Reverse: On a plain field in the center of the medal is depicted the Battle of Nations Monument. Around the upper edge of the medal starting at the nine o'clock position and ending at the three o'clock position which reads: **DEUTSCHER PATRIOTENBUND.** Translation: German patriot's league. Below the Monument is an exergue with a four line inscription as follows: **VOLKERSCHLACHT- / DENKMAL BEI / LEIPZIG / 1913.** Battle of Nations near Leipzig Memorial 1913.

Weight: 11.7-12 grams

Size: 29-33.3 mm in diameter and 2 .4 mm thick

Type of Material: Silver plated bronze and bronze

Variations: None

Designer: Obverse, Rudolf Mayer, Reverse: Heinrich Schneider

Manufacturer: Bernard Heinrich Mayer in Pforzheim, Germany

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Field Marschal Schwarzenberg Centennial Medal

(Feldmarschall Schwarzenberg-Jahrhundertmedaille)



Date Issued: 1913

Reason Issued: To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the war service of Charles Philip Prince von Schwarzenberg.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: von Schwarzenberg was an Austrian Generalissimo and Field Marshal. He first entered military service in 1788 and fought against the Turks. During the War of the Sixth Coalition, he was in command of the allied army that decisively defeated Napoleon in the Battle of Leipzig (1813). He participated in the Battle of Paris (1814), which forced Napoleon to abdicate.

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A round medal with an attached round suspension eye

Obverse: On a plain field is the image of Franz Joseph in uniform with decorations facing to the viewers left. Around the upper edge of the medal starting near the nine o'clock position and ending near the three o'clock position is inscribed: **FRANCISCUS JOSEPHUS I.** Translation: Franz Joseph I.

Reverse: On a plain field in the center of the medal is the image of Prince von Schwarzenberg on horseback, facing to the viewers left. Around von Schwarzenberg's image is an inscription which reads: **KARL SCHWARZENBERG SIEGR. HEERFUHRER.** Translation: Schwarzenberger victorious military leader. Around the image and inscription is a fine raised line. Between the raised line and the edge of the medal is a two part inscription. The upper part reads as follows: **JAHRHUNDERT - GEDENKFEIR.** Translation: Centenary commemoration. The lower part reads as follows: **1813-16.OKT.1913.** Translation: 1813-16 October 1913.

Weight: 1.9 grams

Size: 16 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Silver plated bronze and bronze

Variations: None

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Shooting Championship Berg Isel 1914 Medal

(Meisterschafts Schiessen Berg Isel 1914 Medaille)



Date Issued: 1914

Reason Issued: To commemorate the National Shooting Championship in Berg Isel in 1914

Classes or Types: One known

Interesting Facts: The same obverse was used on the 1901 National Shooting Championship Medal, the Berg Isel 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1908, 1912, 1913 and 1914 medals and the Salzburg 1902, 1903, 1904, and 1905 Shooting Championship Medals.

Hallmarks: None known

Design: An oval medal with an attached circular wire suspension eye

Obverse: The image of Franz Joseph I facing to the viewers right and wearing the uniform of an Austrian Field Marshal and the Order of the Golden Fleece. In front of the collar of the bust is inscribed **FRANZ JOSEPH I**. Behind the bust is a coat of arms.

Reverse: On a plain field are crossed boughs composed of an oak bough on the viewers left and a laurel bough on the right, Above the boughs is an inscription which follows the contour of the medal. The inscription reads **MEISTERSCHAFTS SCHIESSEN**. Translation: Shooting Championship. Below the boughs is an inscription in two lines the second of which is curved. The inscription reads: **1914 / BERG ISEL**. Translation: Berg Isel 1912. Below this inscription at the six o'clock position is the name of the medalist: **CHRISTLBAUER WIEN**



Weight: 13.9-15.5 grams

Size: 43.8 by 33.3 mm

Type of Material: Silver

Variations: None known

Designer: Johann Christelbauer and Son

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.

Case: A red leather case with an inscription reading in three lines **Meisterschaftsschiessen / Berg Isel / 1912** on the inner lid. The bottom interior is fitted felt.

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Vienna Shooting Festival and Imperial Tribute Medal 1914

(Wiener Schützenfest und kaiserliche Tributmedaille 1914)



Bronze Medal

Date Issued: April, 1914

Reason Issued: To commemorate the young shooters shooting festival and imperial tribute held in Vienna in 1914

Classes or Types: Two

- Silver Medal
- Bronze Medal

Interesting Facts: The reverse of this medal was also used for the table medal to commemorate the twelfth Lower Austrian shooting competition in Baden in 1911.

Hallmarks: 1872-1922, 750 fine silver hallmark on the silver medal

Design: A round medal with an attached wedge shaped suspension eye

Obverse: In the center of the medal is a contemporary image of Franz Joseph in civilian dress facing to the viewers left. Below the image are oak boughs tied in the center with a bow. Around the upper two thirds of the medal, starting at the 8 o'clock position and ending at the four o'clock position is inscribed, **SEINEM ALLERHÖCHSTEN SCHIRMHERREN DER ÖSTERREICHISCH SCHUTZBUND.** Translation: His Majesty patron of the Austrian Shooting Society. On the edge of the medal at the five o'clock position is the name of the medalist: **R. Neuberger**

Reverse: In the center of the medal is an image of a shooting instructor and a shooter. Near the shooters right knee is an image of the shooting society headquarters. Around the upper two thirds of the medal starting at the seven o'clock position and ending at the four o'clock position is inscribed **IOEST JUNGSCHUTZEN KONKURRENZ U. KAISER HULDIGUNG WIEN- 1914-**. Translation: Young shooters festival and imperial tribute Vienna 1914.

Weight:

- Silver Medal: 34.5 grams
- Bronze Medal: 28.9-33.3 grams

Size: 42-42.3 mm

Type of Material: Silver and bronze

Variations: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Vienna Shooting Festival and Imperial Tribute Medal 1914

(Wiener Schützenfest und kaiserliche Tributmedaille 1914)



Silver Medal

Designer:

- Obverse: Rudolf Neuberger
- Reverse: J. Albin Mullner

Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Half black and half imperial yellow with the black on the viewers left, with a decorative suspender featuring a target and laurel boughs.
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known



Bronze Medal

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Archduke Franz Ferdinand Assassination Commemorative Medal

(Gedenkmedaille Erzherzog Franz Ferdinand Ermordung)



Date Issued: 1914

Reason Issued: To commemorate the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand in Sarajewo on June 28, 1914

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: Unknown

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A round medal with an attached loop shaped suspension eye

Obverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain field is the image of Franz Ferdinand and his wife Sophie facing to the viewers right with Franz Ferdinand in the foreground. Behind Franz Ferdinand's neck near the edge of the medal at the nine o'clock position is the name of the medalist: **R. BACHMANN**

Reverse: On a plain field in the top half of the medal are two coats of arms superimposed over a laurel bough. Below the coats of arms is a two line inscription the second line of which follows the contour of the medal at the six o'clock position. The inscription reads as follows: **IN MEMORIAM / 28 JUN 1914.**

Weight: Unknown

Size: Unknown

Type of Material: bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Rudolf Bachmann

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Brotherhood in Arms Commemorative Medal

(Gedenkmedaille der Waffenbrüderschaft)





Date Issued: August 2, 1914 **Silver Medal**

Reason Issued: To commemorate the brotherhood in arms between Austria and Germany in WWI.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: This is the date of the German Ultimatum leading to the invasion of Belgium

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an attached loop shaped suspension eye

Obverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain field is the image of Wilhelm II of Germany and Franz Joseph of Austria facing to the viewers right. Around the edge of the medal starting at the seven o'clock position and ending at the five o'clock position is the following inscription: **WILHELM II DEUTSCHER KAISER * FRANZ JOSEF I KAISER V OSTERREICH * .**

Reverse: A scene of a German and an Austrian soldier shacking hands. Behind each of their heads is a field of oak leaves. Between them at head level is a plaque with a three line inscription as follows: **2. / AUGUST / 1914.** Below the date is a cross. At the bottom of the medal is a step which each soldier is standing on. The stet has a two line inscription as follows: **EINIGKEIT / MACHT STARK.** Translation: Together we are stronger.

Weight: 11.3-11.8 grams

Size: 29.9-30 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Silver plated bronze and bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: A three color ribbon from the viewers left to right, black, yellow and red

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known



Bronze Medal

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Brotherhood in Arms Commemorative Medal

(Gedenkmedaille der Waffenbrüderschaft)



Date Issued: 1914
Reason Issued: To commemorate the brotherhood in arms between Austria and Germany in WWI.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: Unknown
Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an attached loop shaped suspension eye
Obverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain field is the image of Wilhelm II of Germany and Franz Joseph of Austria in uniform facing to the viewers left with Franz Joseph in the foreground. Around the edge of the medal starting at the nine o'clock position and ending at the three o'clock position is the following inscription: **DIE TREUE SIE IST DOCH KEIN LEERER WAHN! .** Translation: Loyalty is not an empty promise
Reverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain field is a scene of a German and an Austrian soldier shacking hands. Around the edge of the medal starting at the eight o'clock position and ending at the four o'clock position is the following inscription: **WIR HALTEN FEST U. TREU ZUSAMMEN!.** Translation: We firmly and faithfully stick together. Below the date is a cross. At the bottom of the medal is a step which each soldier is standing on. The stet has a two line inscription as follows: **EINIGKEIT / MACHT STARK.** Translation: Together we are stronger.
Weight: Unknown
Size: Unknown
Type of Material: Bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Austria, Germany Military Alliance Commemoration Medal

(Erinnerungsmedaille der Militärallianz Österreich, Deutschland)



Date Issued: 1914 **Brass Medal**

Reason Issued: To commemorate the military alliance between Austria and Germany.

Classes or Types: Two: Brass Medal and Aluminum Medal

Interesting Facts: This medal with a slight variations was also was produced as a table medal.

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A round medal with a raised and beaded rim

Obverse: Inside of a raised and beaded rim in the center of the medal on a plain field is the image of emperor Franz Joseph I wearing the Order of the Golden Fleece superimposed over the image of emperor Wilhelm II of Germany, both of whom are facing to the viewers right. Near the edge of the medal starting at the eight o'clock position and ending at the five o'clock position is inscribed: **KAISER FRANZ JOSEPH I KAISER WILKHELLM II.** Between the names of the two emperors is a rosette. Near the edge of the medal in small letters below Franz Joseph's shoulder is the name of the medalist **L. CHR. LAUER**. **NURNBERG.**

Reverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain background is the image of two connected shields. The one on the viewers left has the German coat of arms and the one on the right that of Austria. Behind the shields is a circle composed of a fine raised beaded line. At the top of the medal at the 12 o'clock position is a two line inscription which reads: **EINIGKEIT MACHT / STARK.** Translation: Unity makes strength. At the bottom of the medal at the six o'clock position is the following date in two lines: **AUGUST / 1914.** On either side of the date are two dots.

Weight:

- Brass Medal: 18.2-18.7 grams
- Aluminum Medal: 4.8 grams

Size: 27.5-34 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Brass and aluminum

Variations: None known

Designer: Ludwig Christian Lauer

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: None

Attachments: None known

Miniature: None known



Aluminum Medal

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Austria, Germany Military Alliance Commemoration Medal

(Erinnerungsmedaille der Militärallianz Österreich, Deutschland)



Date Issued: 1914

Reason Issued: To commemorate the military alliance between Austria and Germany.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: This medal also was issued as a table medal.

Hallmarks: 990 Silver mark

Design: A round medal with a raised rim.

Obverse: In the center of the medal on a plain field is the image of emperor Franz Joseph I in uniform facing to the viewers right and the image of emperor Wilhelm II of Germany in uniform with decorations facing to the viewers left, Below the busts are oak and laurel boughs. Resting on the boughs below Franz Joseph is the cross of the Order of Maria Theresia and below the boughs beneath Wilhelm of Germany is the Iron Cross decoration. Near the edge of the medal starting at the nine o'clock position and ending near the three o'clock is inscribed: **KAISER FRANZ JOSEPH I . KAISER WILHELM II.**

Reverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain background is a plaque with a trophy of arms on its top and a laurel wreath along its bottom edge. Inscribed on the plaque is a five line inscription as follows: **IN TREUE / VEREINT / SCHLAGEN / WIR DEN / FIEND.** Translation: Loyally united we will defeat the enemy. Around the edge of the medal starting at the eight o'clock position and ending at the four o'clock position is an inscription which reads: **WELTKRIEG IM JAHRE 1914.** Translation: World War in the year 1914. At the bottom of the medal at the six o'clock position are three stars**.**

Weight: 18.9 grams

Size: 35.4 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Silver

Variations: None known

Designer: Otto Oertel

Manufacturer: Otto Oertel

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None known

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Officer Association in Bregenz Medal

(Medaille der Offiziersvereinigung in Bregenz)



Date Issued: 1914
Reason Issued: To commemorate membership in the Bregenz Officers Association.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: None known
Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with a raised rim
Obverse: Inside of a raised rim in the center of the medal on a plain field are the images of emperor Franz Joseph I wearing a military uniform and the Order of the Golden Fleece superimposed over the image of Archduke Franz Ferdinand, both of whom are facing to the viewers right. Near the edge of the medal starting at the nine o'clock position and ending at the four o'clock position is inscribed: **KAISER FRANZ JOSEPH I ERZH. FRAN FERDINAND.** Between the names is a star.
Reverse: Inside a raised rim in the center of the medal is a plaque with a four line inscription as follows: **OFFIZIERS- / REUNION / BREGENZ / 1914**. Translation: Officers Reunion Bregenz 1914. Around the plaque is a wreath composed of laurel on the viewers left and oak on the right tied at the bottom with a bow. At the bottom of the medal at the six o'clock position is the name of the medalist: **CHRISTLBAUER WIEN.**
Weight: Unknown
Size: Unknown
Type of Material: Bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Christlbauer
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: None
Attachments: None known
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Campaign Against the Allied Nations Medal

(Kampagne gegen die Medaille der Alliierten Nationen)



Date Issued: 1914 **Type I Silver Medal**

Reason Issued: To commemorate the military campaign against France, Russia, Britain and their allies.

Classes or Types: Three: Silver Medal, Pewter Medal and Aluminum Medal

Interesting Facts: This medal was also issued as a table medal

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A round medal with a raised rim and a vertical attached round eye

Obverse: Inside of a raised rim in the center of the medal on a plain field are the images of emperor Franz Joseph I wearing a military uniform and the Order of the Golden Fleece superimposed over the image of Wilhelm II of Germany, both of whom are facing to the viewers left. Near the edge of the medal starting at the eight o'clock position and ending at the four o'clock position is inscribed: **Wilhelm II FRANZ JOSEPH I.** On Franz Joseph's shoulder is the name of the medalist: **M.&.W.ST.** (Mayer and Wilhelm, Stuttgart)

Reverse: Inside a raised rim in the center of the medal is a scene of soldiers in battle. In the foreground is an officer with a German flag. Around the upper half of the medal starting at the nine o'clock position and ending at the two o'clock position is an inscription the last part of which is in three lines. The inscription reads: **FELDSUG GEGEN FRANKREICH, RUSSLAND, / ENGLAND / U.S.W.** Translation: Campaign against France, Russia England and others. To the viewers left of the flag bearer is the date: **1914**. near the edge of the medal at the eight o'clock position is the name of the medalist on a piece of wood: **M.&.W.ST.**

Weight:

- Silver Medal: 16.5 grams
- Pewter Medal: 4.9 grams
- Aluminum Medal: 4.3-4.9 grams

Size: 33.4-34 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Silver plated bronze, Pewter and aluminum



Variations:

- Type I: As described above
- Type II: As described above except the reverse inscription is in a single line as follows: **FELDSUG GEG. FRANKREICH,RUSSLAND, ENGLAND U.S.W.**
- Type III: As described above except the suspension eye is rectangular

Type II Pewter Medal

Designer: Mayer and Wilhelm

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Campaign Against the Allied Nations Medal

(Kampagne gegen die Medaille der Alliierten Nationen)



Type II Aluminum Medal

Manufacturer: Stuttgarte Metallwarenfabrik Wilhelm Mayer & Franz Wilhelm eK
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: None
Attachments: None known
Miniature: None known



Type III, obverse

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Przemysl Relief Commemoration Medal

(Przemysl Entsatzmedaille)





Date Issued: 1914

Reason Issued: To commemorate the relief of the fortress at Przemysl on October 12, 1914.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts:

- This was a short lived victory. After a renewed and prolonged siege the fortress fell to the Russians on March 22, 1915.
- This medal was part of a series of medals called victory pennies. There were at least 73 medals in the series and at least three of them were Austro-Hungarian subjects.

Hallmarks: None

Design: A round medal with an integral suspension eye.

Obverse: In the center of the medal is an angel facing to the viewers left holding a victors wreath in her out-stretched left hand and an upraised sword in her right hand. Around the edge of the medal is a beaded line within which is inscribed starting at the one o'clock position and ending at the 11 o'clock position as follows: **GOTT SEGNETE DIR VERRINIGTEN HEERE.** Translation: God blessed the united arms.

Reverse: Inside a raised rim is a fine beaded line. In the center of the medal is inscribed in five lines: **ENTSATZ / VON / PRZEMYSL / 12. OKT / 1914.** Translation: Liberation of Przemysl 12 October 1914.

Weight: 1.6 grams

Size: 15.3 mm

Type of Material: Silver

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Repulse of the Serbian Invasion of Bosnia Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für die Abwehr der serbischen Invasion in Bosnien)



Date Issued: 1914

Reason Issued: To commemorate the repulse of the Serbs attempted invasion of Bosnia at Visegrad on August 20 and 21st, 1914.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: This medal was the ninth in a series of medals called victory pennies. There were at least 73 medals in the series and at least three of them were Austro-Hungarian subjects.

Hallmarks: None

Design: A round medal with an integral suspension eye.

Obverse: In the center of the medal is an angel facing to the viewers left holding a victors wreath in her outstretched left hand and an upraised sword in her right hand. Around the edge of the medal is a beaded line within which is inscribed starting at the one o'clock position and ending at the 11 o'clock position as follows: **GOTT SEGNETE UNSERE TAPFEREN HEERE.** Translation: God blessed our brave armies.

Reverse: Inside a raised rim is a fine beaded line. In the center of the medal is inscribed in six lines: **SIEG DER / OESTERREICHER / AN DER DRINA / UBER DIE SERBEN / D. 16. AUGUST / 1914.** Translation: Victory of the Austrians on the Drina over the Serbians on 16, August 1914.

Weight: 1.6 grams

Size: 15.3 mm

Type of Material: Silver

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

WWI Deceased Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für Verstorbene des Ersten Weltkriegs)



Date Issued: 1914
Reason Issued: To commemorate those who had lost their lives in World War I
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: This is a cast medal
Hallmarks: None
Design: An oval medal with a integral suspension eye and a raised rim.
Obverse: In the center of the medal is the image of a women dressed in the Roman style morning between two crosses in an area with flowers and grass. At the bottom of the medal is an exergue with a raised line at the top within which is the date **1914.**
Reverse: Inside a raised rim in the center of the medal on a plain field is inscribed in six lines: **DVLCE / ET / DECORVM / EST. PRO / PATRIA / MORI.** Translation: It is sweet and honorable to die for ones country. On either side of the word ET are floral decorations. At the top of the medal is the name of the medalist: **? OPVS / .ZVTT.A.R.**
Weight: 8.5 grams
Size: 49 by 24 mm
Type of Material: Silver plated bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Richard Adolf Zutt
Manufacturer: Budapest Mint
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Peoples War Medal

(Volkerkrieg Medaille)



Date Issued: 1914

Reason Issued: To commemorate the beginning of World War I

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: Unknown

Hallmarks: None

Design: An round medal with a integral suspension eye and a raised rim.

Obverse: Around the edge of the medal is a decorative beaded line**.** In the center of the medal is the bust of Franz Joseph facing to the viewers right. Around the edge of the medal within the beaded line is an inscription starting at the eight o'clock position and ending at the five o'clock position which reads: **KAISER FRANZ JOSEF I. V. OESTERREICH.** Translation: Emperor Franz Joseph I of Austria.

Reverse: Around the edge of the medal is a decorative beaded line**.** Inside the beaded line in the center of the medal is the image of two soldiers shaking hands. Around the edge of the medal within the beaded line is an inscription starting at the nine o'clock position and ending at the three o'clock position which reads: **VOLKERKRIEG 1914.** Translation: Peoples war 1914. At the bottom of the medal at the six o'clock position is what appears to be the name of the medalist.

Weight: 2.8 grams

Size: 22 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Silver plated bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

World War I and Alliance with Germany Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für den Ersten Weltkrieg und das Bündnis mit Deutschland)



Date Issued: 1914

Reason Issued: To commemorate the beginning of World War I and the collaboration between the Austrian and German Empires.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: Unknown

Hallmarks: None

Design: A round medal with a integral round suspension eye and a raised rim.

Obverse: Inside a raised rim in the center of the medal are the busts of Franz Joseph I and Wilhelm I facing to the viewers left in military uniform, with Franz Joseph in the foreground. Below the busts are a palm and laurel bough tied together with a ribbon and with the laurel boughs on the viewers left. Around the edge of the medal is an inscription in two parts. The upper part starts at the eight o'clock position and ends at the four o'clock position and reads: **WELTKRIEG 1914 VILAGHABORU.** Translation: World War 1914 Vilachaboru. The bottom portion of the inscription starts at the seven o'clock position and ends at the five o'clock position. It reads: **VIRIBUS UNITIS.** Translation: With united Strength. (this is the motto of Franz Joseph's reign. The top and bottom inscriptions are separated by a diamond shaped decorative element.

Reverse: Inside a raised rim in the center of the medal are, from top to bottom, The imperial Austrian eagle, the Hungarian Crown and the German imperial eagle. To the viewers left of the Hungarian Crown is the number **19** and to the right the number **14,** the date 1914.

Weight: Unknown

Size: 27.8 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Gilt bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

World War I and Alliance with Germany Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für den Ersten Weltkrieg und das Bündnis mit Deutschland)



Date Issued: 1914

Reason Issued: To commemorate the beginning of World War I and the collaboration between the Austrian and German Empires.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: Unknown

Hallmarks: None

Design: A round medal with a integral round suspension eye.

Obverse: In the center of the medal are the busts of Franz Joseph I and Wilhelm I facing to the viewers right in military uniform, with Franz Joseph in the background. To the viewers left of the busts is the date **1914**. Around the upper edge of the medal is an inscription as follows: **EINIG UND TREU.** Translation: United and faithful. The bottom of the medal on the edge are laurel boughs.

Reverse: On a plain field is the image of the Prussian Iron Cross with a laurel wreath tied at the bottom with a bow superimposed on it.

Weight: 7.8 grams

Size: 27 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Silver

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

World War I Alliance with Germany Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für das Bündnis mit Deutschland)



Date Issued: 1914

Reason Issued: To commemorate the collaboration between the Austrian and German Empires.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: Viribus Unitis is the motto of Franz Josephs Reign

Hallmarks: None

Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an integral round suspension eye.

Obverse: In the center of the medal are the busts of Franz Joseph I and Wilhelm I facing to the viewers right, with Franz Joseph in the foreground.

Reverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain field is a three line inscription with the top and bottom lines following the contour of the medal. The inscription reads: **VIRIBUS / 1914 / UNITIS.** Translation: With United Strength, 1914. This is the motto of Franz Josephs Reign.

Weight: 2.2 grams

Size: 17 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

World War I Alliance with Germany Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für das Bündnis mit Deutschland)



Date Issued: 1914
Reason Issued: To commemorate the collaboration between the Austrian and German Empires in WWI
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: None known
Hallmarks: None
Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an integral embossed round suspension eye.
Obverse: In the center of the medal are the busts of Franz Joseph I and Wilhelm I facing to the viewers left, with Franz Joseph in the foreground.
Reverse: On a plain field is is the date **1914.**
Weight: 1.5 grams
Size: 13 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

World War I Alliance with Germany Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für das Bündnis mit Deutschland)



Date Issued: 1914
Reason Issued: To commemorate the collaboration between the Austrian and German Empires.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: Viribus Unitis is the motto of Franz Josephs Reign
Hallmarks: None
Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an integral suspension eye.
Obverse: In the center of the medal are the busts of Franz Joseph I and Wilhelm I facing each other, with Franz Joseph on the viewers right. Above the heads of the two emperors is a victors wreath. Around the upper portion of the medal starting at the nine o'clock position and ending at the three o'clock position is the following inscription: **VIRIBUS * 1914 * UNITUS.** Translation: With united strength 1914. Below the busts on an exergue is an inscription which reads: **SIEGES –MEDAILLE.** Translation: Victory medal.
Reverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain field in the center of the medal is a seven line inscription. The inscription reads: **ERINNERUNG / AN DIE / VEREINIGTEN VOLKER / VON / OSTERREICH-UNGARN / UND / DEUTSCHLAND.** Translation: In commemoration of the united people of Austria-Hungary and Germany. Around this inscription is a fine raised line. Between the raised line and the edge of the medal is a two part inscription with the top and bottom parts each starting at the nine o'clock position and ending at the three o'clock position. The top inscription reads: **SIE ZIEHEN REDLICH IN DEN KRIEG.** Translation: They go to war Honestly. The bottom inscription reads: **UND BRINGEN SICHER HEIM DEN SIEG.** Translation: And bring home the victory. The two parts of the inscription are separated by an asterisk.
Weight: Unknown
Size: 36 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

World War I Alliance with Germany Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für das Bündnis mit Deutschland)



Date Issued: 1914
Reason Issued: To commemorate the collaboration between the Austrian and German Empires.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: None known
Hallmarks: None
Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an integral round suspension eye.
Obverse: Inside a raised rim is a beaded line and within this line in the center of the medal are the busts of Franz Joseph I and Wilhelm I facing to the viewers left, with Franz Joseph on the viewers right. Above the heads of the two emperors are crossed laurel and an oak boughs. Around the lower portion of the medal starting at the nine o'clock position and ending at the three o'clock position is the following inscription: **DEUTSCHE TREUE.** Translation: German loyalty. Before and after the inscription is a decorative element.
Reverse: Inside a raised rim is a beaded line and within this line in the center of the medal is a three line inscription, the top line of which is curved. The inscription reads: **ERINNERUNG / AN 1914.** Translation: In commemoration of 1914. Around this inscription is a wreath composed of a laurel and an oak bough tied at the bottom with a bow. The laurel bough is on he viewers left. Below the date 1914 is a decorative element.
Weight: Unknown
Size: 25 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Silver plated bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

World War I Alliance with Germany Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für das Bündnis mit Deutschland)



Date Issued: 1914
Reason Issued: To commemorate the collaboration between the Austrian and German Empires.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: None known
Hallmarks: None
Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an integral round suspension eye.
Obverse: Inside a raised rim is a beaded line and within this line in the center of the medal are the busts of Franz Joseph I and Wilhelm I facing to the viewers left, with Franz Joseph superimposed over Wilhelm. Around the edge of the medal starting at the nine o'clock position and ending at the three o'clock position is the following inscription: **WILHELM II FRANZ JOSEPH I.**
Reverse: Inside a raised rim is a beaded line and within this line in the center of the medal is a four line inscription which reads: **1914 / EINIGKEIT / MACHT / STARK.** Translation: 1914 Unity power strength. Below the inscription is a decorative element.
Weight: 3,2 grams
Size: 18.5 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Copper
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

World War I Alliance with Germany Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für das Bündnis mit Deutschland)



Date Issued: 1914
Reason Issued: To commemorate the collaboration between the Austrian and German Empires.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: Viribus Unitis is the motto of Franz Josephs Reign
Hallmarks: None
Design: A round medal with an integral round suspension eye.
Obverse: In the center of the medal are the busts of Franz Joseph I and Wilhelm II facing to the viewers right, with Franz Joseph superimposed over Wilhelm.
Reverse: In the center of the medal is a view of a city. Below the city are crossed batons. Above the city is a curved inscription which reads: **VIRIBUS UNITIS 1914.** Translation: With united strength 1914. Below the inscription is a decorative element.
Weight: Unknown
Size: 25 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Silver
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

World War I Alliance with Germany Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für das Bündnis mit Deutschland)



Date Issued: 1914
Reason Issued: To commemorate the collaboration between the Austrian and German Empires.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: Viribus Unitis is the motto of Franz Josephs Reign
Hallmarks: None
Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an integral suspension eye.
Obverse: Inside a raised rim is a raised dot and dash decorative line. Inside the decorative line in the center of the medal are the busts of Franz Joseph I and Wilhelm II facing to the viewers right, with Franz Joseph super-imposed over Wilhelm. Below he busts is a laurel bough.

Reverse: Inside a raised rim in the center of the medal is a three line inscription which reads: **VIRIBUS / UNITIS / 1914.** Translation: With united strength 1914. Around the inscription is a wreath composed of laurel and oak boughs which are tied at the bottom with a bow. The oak bough is on the viewers right.

Weight: Unknown
Size: Unknown
Type of Material: Silver
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

World War I Alliance with Germany Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für das Bündnis mit Deutschland)



Date Issued: 1914
Reason Issued: To commemorate the collaboration between the Austrian and German Empires.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: Viribus Unitis is the motto of Franz Josephs Reign
Hallmarks: None
Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an integral suspension eye.
Obverse: Inside a raised rim in the center of the medal are the busts of Franz Joseph I and Wilhelm II facing to the viewers right, with Franz Joseph superimposed over Wilhelm. Below he busts is a laurel bough.
Reverse: Inside a raised rim in the center of the medal are three crowns arranged in a triangle. The top crown is that of Germany while the one on the viewers left is that of Austria and on the right Hungary. Below the crowns is the date **1914.**
Weight: Unknown
Size: Unknown
Type of Material: Bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

World War I Alliance with Germany Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für das Bündnis mit Deutschland)



Date Issued: 1914

Reason Issued: To commemorate the collaboration between the Austrian and German Empires.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: This Medal was issued in the Hungarian part of the Austrian empire

Hallmarks: None

Design: A quadrilaterals medal with a raised rim and an integral round suspension eye.

Obverse: In the center of the medal is the bust of Franz Joseph I facing to the viewers right. Above the bust in curved lettering is inscribed: **VILAGHABORU.** On each side of the bust is a part of the date 1914 with the **19** on the viewers left and the **14** on the right. Below the bust is the word **EMLEK** which is also curved. Translation: Vilaghaboru 1914 Commemorative.

Reverse: In the center of the medal is the bust of Wilhelm of German facing to the viewers right. Above the bust in curved lettering is inscribed: **WELTKRIG.** On each side of the bust is a part of the date 1914 with the **19** on the viewers left and the **14** on the right. Below the bust is the word **AN?FNKEN**which is also curved.

Weight: Unknown

Size: 25 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

World War I Alliance with Germany Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für das Bündnis mit Deutschland)



Date Issued: 1914
Reason Issued: To commemorate the collaboration between the Austrian and German Empires.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: None known
Hallmarks: None
Design: A quadrilaterals medal and an integral round suspension eye.
Obverse: In the center of the medal is a cross with a round center medallion. In the center medallion are the busts of Franz Joseph I of Austria and Wilhelm II of Germany facing to the viewers right. In each arm of the cross is a word as follows starting with the upper arm then the middle left arm, middle right arm and bottom arm. **HEIL, UND SIEG, 1914.** Translation: Safe and victorious.
Reverse: Plain
Weight: Unknown
Size: Unknown
Type of Material: Silver
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

19th Infantry Division Christmas in the Field Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille Weihnachten im Feld des 19. Infanteriedivision)



Silver Medal

Date Issued: 1914

Reason Issued: To commemorate the 19th infantry division Christmas in the field on the Russian front.

Classes or Types: Two: Silver Medal and Bronze Medal

Interesting Facts: None known

Hallmarks: None

Design: A round medal with a raised rim with a beaded pattern and an integral suspension eye.

Obverse: Inside the raised beaded rim in the center of the medal is the image of a Christmas tree with candles. Around the edge of the medal starting at the eight o'clock position and ending at the three o'clock position is the following inscription: **RUSSISCH FELDSUG.** Translation: Russian campaign. The words of the inscription are separated with scroll shaped decorative elements. Across the base of the Christmas tree is a ribbon on which there is an inscription as follows: **GOTT MIT UNS**. Translation: God with us.

Reverse: Inside the raised beaded rim in the upper portion of the center of the medal is a three line inscription. The inscription reads: **WEIH = / NACHTEN / 1914.** Translation: Christmas eve 1914. Below the inscription are crossed laurel boughs. Below the laurel boughs is a curved inscription as follows: **19 J.TLD.** Translation: 19th Infantry Division.

Weight:

- Silver Medal: 10 grams
- Bronze Medal: 9.7 grams

Size: 27 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Silver and bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known



Bronze Medal

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

1914 Year of the War Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille zum Kriegsjahr 1914)



Silver Medal

Date Issued: 1914

Reason Issued: To commemorate the year of the war 1914.

Classes or Types: Two: Silver Medal and Bronze Medal

Interesting Facts: None known

Hallmarks: None

Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an integral loop suspension eye.

Obverse: Inside the raised rim in the center of the medal is a frame in the shape of a horizontal figure eight. Inside the frame on the viewers left is Emperor Wilhelm II of Germany and on the right Emperor Franz Joseph I of Austria-Hungary both in military uniforms**.** The center of the frame on the top and bottom has a decorative element. Behind the frame is a wreath of laurel on the viewers right and oak on the left tied at the bottom with a bow.

Reverse: Inside the raised rim in the center of the medal is a five line inscription. The inscription reads: **ZUR / ERINNERUNG / AN DAS / KRIEGSJAHR / 1914.** Translation: In commemoration of the war year 1914. Around the inscription is a wreath of laurel on the viewers right and oak on the left tied at the bottom with a bow.

Weight:

- Silver Medal: 4.5 grams
- Bronze Medal: 4.6-4.9 grams

Size: 20-22.4 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Silver and bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known



Bronze Medal

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

1914 World War Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille zum Weltkriegs 1914)



Date Issued: 1914
Reason Issued: To commemorate the year of the war 1914.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: None known
Hallmarks: None
Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an integral loop suspension eye.
Obverse: Inside the raised rim in the center of the medal is the image of Emperor Franz Joseph I of Austria-Hungary and Emperor Wilhelm II of Germany both in military uniforms, facing to the viewers left with Franz Joseph in front of Wilhelm**.** Below them is a laurel wreath tied at the bottom with a bow.

Reverse: Inside the raised rim is a raised beaded line. In the center of the medal is a five line inscription. The inscription reads: **ZUR / ERINNERUNG / AN DAS / WELTKRIEG / 1914.** Translation: In commemoration of the world war 1914.

Weight: Unknown

Size: 22.4 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Silver gilt bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

1914 World War Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille zum Weltkriegs 1914)



Date Issued: 1914
Reason Issued: To commemorate the year of the war 1914.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: None known
Hallmarks: None
Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an integral loop suspension eye.
Obverse: Inside the raised rim in the center of the medal is the image of Emperor Franz Joseph I of Austria-Hungary and Emperor Wilhelm II of Germany both in military uniforms, facing to the viewers left with Franz Joseph in front of Wilhelm**.** Below them is a laurel wreath tied at the bottom with a bow. In front of their images on the viewers left is the word **GOTT**. Behind them on the viewers right are the words **MIT UNS**. Translation: God with us.

Reverse: Inside the raised rim is a raised beaded line. In the center of the medal is a four line inscription. The inscription reads: **.....ICH KENNE / KEINE PARTEIN MEHR / ICH KENNE NUR NOCH / DEUTSCHE.....** Translation: I don't know any parties I only know Germans. Around the medal is a two part inscription. The top part starts at the 10 o'clock position and ends at the three o'clock position and reads: **ZUR ERINNERUNG AN.** The bottom part starts at the nine o'clock position and ends at the three o'clock position and reads: **DAS WELTKRIEGSJAHR 1914.** Translation: In commemoration of the World War year 1914.

Weight: 25.3 grams
Size: 42 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Silver plated Zinc
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

1914 World War Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille zum Weltkriegs 1914)



Date Issued: 1914
Reason Issued: To commemorate the year of the war 1914.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: This medal was also issuewd as a table medal
Hallmarks: 990 fine silver hallmark on the reverse
Design: A round medal with a raised rim on the reverse and an integral loop suspension eye.
Obverse: Inside the raised rim in the center of the medal is the image of the four horsemen of the apocalypse above the earth and clouds**.** Near the edge of the medal at the four o'clock position is the monogram of the medalist **BM**, Bernard Heinrich Mayer.

Reverse: Inside the raised rim in the center of the medal is a four line inscription with the first line curved to match the contour of the medal. The inscription reads: **ERINNERUNG / AN DEN / WELTKRIEG / 1914** Translation: In commemoration of the war 1914. Around the inscription is a laurel wreath tied at the bottom with a bow. Below the date 1914 is the 990 silver hallmark**.** The

Weight: 12.8 grams

Size: 34 mm in diameter

Type of Material: 990 fine silver and silver plated bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Bernard Heinrich Mayer
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Liberation of East Prussia Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille zur Befreiung Ostpreußens)



Date Issued: 1914

Reason Issued: To commemorate the liberation of East Prussia by the forces commanded by General Paul Von Hindenburg.

Classes or Types: Two: Silver Medal and Iron Medal

Interesting Facts: Paul Von Hindenburg was later president of Germany.

- The Iron medals were cast ands have a different medalist name on the reverse.
- This medal was also issued as a table medal.

Hallmarks: 990 silver hallmark

Design: A round medal with a raised rim

Obverse: In the center of the medal on a plain field is the image of Colonel General von Hindenberg in military uniform with decorations facing slightly to the viewers left. Near the edge of the medal starting at the nine o'clock position and ending at the four o'clock position is inscribed: **GENERALOBERST VON HINDENBURG.** Translation: Colonel General von Hindenburg. Near the edge of the medal at the five o'clock position is the name of the medalist: **GRUNTHAL**.

Reverse: Inside a raised rim in the center of the medal is a warrior in armor wielding a sword. To the viewers left of the warrior at waist height is inscribed in two lines **TANNEN / BERG.** To the viewers right of the warrior at waist height is inscribed in two lines **ORTELS /BERG.** Between the warriors legs is the date **1914.** Around the edge of the medal starting at the seven o'clock position and ending at the five o'clock position is inscribed: **DER. RUSSEN. BEZWINGER OSTPREUSSENS. BEFREIER.** Translation: East Prussia liberated from the Russian Conqueror. Below the inscription is a fine beaded line Near the edge of the medal at the six o'clock position is inscribed **ALOE WENTAL**.

Weight:

- Silver Medal:13.6-18.7 grams
- Iron Medal: 18.5 grams

Size:

- Silver Medal: 33-55 mm in diameter
- Iron Medal: 33.1 mm in diameter

Type of Material: 990 fine silver and iron

Variations:

- Type I Medal: As described above
- Type II Medal: As described above except there is no fine beaded line under the reverse edge inscription and there are the letters **Gr** on Hindenburg's chest near the five o'clock position.

Liberation of East Prussia Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille zur Befreiung Ostpreußens)

Designer:
- Obverse: F, Grunthal
- Reverse: A. Loewentel

Manufacturer: Robert Ball, Germany
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: None
Attachments: None known
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

War Welfare Medal

(Kriegsfürsorgemedaille)



Date Issued: 1914 **Type I: Bronze Medal**

Reason Issued: Medal issued by the Hungarian War Welfare Office as a means of supporting the war effort.

Classes or Types: Three: Silver and enamel medal, Bronze and enamel Medal and Bronze medal\.

Interesting Facts: None known

Hallmarks: None

Design: A oval medal with an integral crescent shaped suspension cut out.

Obverse: In the center of the medal is the Hungarian coat of arms. Around it on a stylized ribbon is the following inscription: **HADSEGELY EZO 1914.** Translation: Army Assistance 1914

Reverse: On a horizontal lined background is the date **1914**. Below the date in an exergue with a raised line at the top is the name of he medalist as follows: **OPVS. ZVTT.R.A.** Below the inscription is a design that looks like a monster.

Weight:

- Siver and enamel Medal: 34. 3 grams
- Bronze and enamel medal: Unknown
- Bronze Medal: 27.4-30.3 grams

Size:

- Type I: 33.5-33.8 by 53-53.1 mm
- Type II: 43.5 by 27 mm

Type of Material: Silver and enamel, Bronze and enamel and bronze

Variations:

- As described above
- As described above except on the obverse the inscription reads: HADSEGELY EZO 1915/16.



Designer: Richard A. Zutt **Type I: Silver and Enamel Medal**

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Green, white and red stripes

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

War Welfare Medal

(Kriegsfürsorgemedaille)



Type I: Bronze and Enamel Medal



Type II: Bronze and Enamel Medal

Ribbon: Fron the left red, white and green



Attachments: None known
Miniature: Known to exist



Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Berndorf Military Hospital Commemoration Medal

(Erinnerungsmedaille des Militärkrankenhauses Berndorf)



Silver Medal

Date Issued: 1914

Reason Issued: To commemorate the establishment of the Berndorf Military Hospital.

Classes or Types: Two: Silver Medal and Bronze Medal

Interesting Facts: This hospital was dedicated by Arthur Krupp

Hallmarks: None

Design: A round medal with a raised rim and an integral loop suspension eye.

Obverse: In the center of the medal is the image of the virgin Mary with Christ as a baby. Christ is holding a cross with a crown of thorns in his left hand. Around the edge of the medal are the faces of cherubs.

Reverse: In the center of the medal is a Geneva cross. Below the cross is crossed laurel boughs. Above the cross is engraved in two lines the name of the recipient, in this case **FRANZ / SPENGER.** Around the edge of the medal starting at the seven o'clock position and ending at the five o'clock position is an inscription as follows: **ERINNERUNG AN DAS KRIEGS-SPITAL IN BERNDORF 1914.** Translation: In Commemoration of the military hospital in Berndorf 1914. Near the edge of the medal at the six o'clock position is inscribed **.A.KRUPP.**.

Weight:

- Silver Medal: 10.7 grams
- Bronze Medal:

Size: 30 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Nickle silver and Copper alloy

Variations: None known

Designer: Anton Scharff

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

- Known recipients: Franz Spenger, silver medal and Engelbert Furlan, bronze medal

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known



Bronze Medal

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Prisoner of War Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für Kriegsgefangene)



Date Issued: 1915

Reason Issued: To commemorate the war time incarceration of foreigners in the Douglas prisoner of war camp on the Isle of Man from 1914-1915.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: None known

Hallmarks: None

Design: A round medal with an integral rectangular suspension eye.

Obverse: In the center of the medal is a scene depicting the prison camp and a light house on the Isle of Man. Around it is a barbed wire wreath. Above it is a shield with the coat of arms of the Isle of Man

Reverse: In the center of the medal is a seven line inscription. The top and bottom line is curved to conform to the shape of the medal and the forth through sixth line is on a horizontal rectangular plaque. The inscription reads: **WELTKRIEG / 1914-1915 / ERINNERUNG / AN DIE / KRIEGSCHAFT / DOUGLAS / ISLE OF MAN.** Translation: World War 1914-1915 In Commemoration of the war service in the Douglas Camp on the Isle of Man. Around the inscription is a laurel wreath.

Weight: 32.8-33.3 grams

Size: 45-45.2 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Zinc

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

V Army Commemorative Medal

(V Armee Gedenkmedaille)



Date Issued: 1915
Reason Issued: To commemorate the V Army under the command of Crown Prince Wilhelm of Prussia
Classes or Types: One known
Interesting Facts: Unknown
Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with an attached loop shaped suspension eye
Obverse: On a plain field is the image of Crown Prince Wilhelm in the uniform of the deaths head Hussars, facing the viewer. To the viewers left of the crown prince is the word **KRONPRINZ** (Crown Prince) and to the right **WILHELM.**
Reverse: A scene with attacking German and Austrian troops in the background and a German soldier holding a flag in his left hand and a sword in his right in the foreground. Above the flag is the inscription: **V. ARMEE.** To the right of the figure in the foreground is a three line inscription which reads **SIEG / ooer / TOD!** Translation: Victory or death. At the bottom of the medal at the six o'clock position is the date **1914-1915**
Weight: 8 grams
Size: 25 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Silver gilt bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Triple Alliance Commemorative Medal

(Dreibund Gedenkmedaille)



Date Issued: 1915
Reason Issued: To commemorate the Triple Alliance between Austria, Germany and the Ottoman Empire.
Classes or Types: Two: Silver Medal and Bronze Medal
Interesting Facts: Unknown
Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with an attached loop shaped suspension eye
Obverse: On a plain field is the image of Emperor Franz Joseph in a Field Marshals uniform wearing the Order of the Golden Fleece next to him is Wilhelm II of Germany and next to him is Sultan Mohammed V of the Ottoman Empire. Above them on a raised area starting at the 10 o'clock position and ending at the three o'clock position is inscribed **1914 VOLKER. KRIEG 1915.** Translation 1914 the peoples war 1915. At each end of the inscription is a star
Reverse: A scene with attacking German and Austrian troops in the background and a German soldier holding a flag in his left hand and a sword in his right in the foreground. To the right of the figure in the foreground is a three line inscription which reads **SIEG / oder / TOD!** Translation: Victory or death.
Weight:

- Silver Medal: 8.1 grams
- Bronze Medal: Unknown

Size: 28-28.2 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Silver gilt bronze and bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known



Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Triple Alliance Commemorative Medal

(Dreibund Gedenkmedaille)



Date Issued: 1915
Reason Issued: To commemorate the Triple Alliance between Austria, Germany and the Ottoman Empire.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: Unknown
Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with an attached loop shaped suspension eye
Obverse: On a plain field are the images of Emperor Franz Joseph, Wilhelm II of Germany and Sultan Mohammed V of the Ottoman Empire. Above them are the dates **1914-1915.** Around the images of the leaders is an oak wreath.
Reverse: Plain
Weight: 7.6 grams
Size: 27 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Silver
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Wish for Peace Medal

(Wunsch-für-Frieden-Medaille)



Date Issued: 1915
Reason Issued: To express the Austrian Empires hope for peace.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: Unknown
Hallmarks:

- The 1872-1922 900 fine silver mark
- The mark of the Schneider Brothers of Vienna

Design: A round medal with a notched raised rim and an attached loop shaped suspension eye
Obverse: Inside a notched raised rim on a plain field is the image of Empress Elisabeth facing to the left wearing an off the shoulder dress and pearls. On either side of the image of Elisabeth is a three line inscription as follows: **ELISABETA. VICTORIA / CONCILIA. PACEM=/ NOBIS. QUE.** Translation: Elizabeth Victoria the council of peace for us. Above the inscription on the viewers left is the Hungarian crown and on the right the Austrian crown.
Reverse: Inside a notched raised rim on a plain field is the image of a dove in flight with an olive branch in its beak. At the bottom of the medal at the six o'clock position is the date **1915.**
Weight: 23.1 grams
Size: 40.1 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Silver
Variations: None known
Designer: Schneider Brothers
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Brotherhood in Arms Commemorative Medal

(Gedenkmedaille der Waffenbrüderschaft)



Date Issued: 1915
Reason Issued: To commemorate the Alliance between Austria and Germany.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: Viribus Unitis (with united strength) is the motto of Franz Joseph's rein
Hallmarks: None known
Design: An octagonal medal with a raised rim surrounded by an oak wreath and topped with two crowns with an attached loop shaped suspension eye
Obverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain field are the images of Emperor Franz Joseph in a Field Marshals uniform wearing the Order of the Golden Fleece and Wilhelm II of Germany also in uniform facing to the viewers left with Franz Joseph in the foreground. Above them starting at the nine o'clock position and ending at the two o'clock position is inscribed **VIRIBUS 1914-15 UNITIS.** Translation: With united strength 1914 –15. Around the medal is an oak wreath tied at the bottom with a bow. Bove the medal are two crowns at the top of which is a circular suspension eye.
Reverse: Plain
Weight: 6.5 grams
Size: 33 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Brotherhood in Arms Commemorative Medal

(Gedenkmedaille der Waffenbrüderschaft)



Date Issued: 1915
Reason Issued: To commemorate the Alliance between Austria and Germany.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: This medal was also issued as a table medal
Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with a loop suspension eye.
Obverse: In the center of the medal are two victorious soldiers celebrating in a battlefield. The soldiers have a large victors wreath draped over them. The soldier on the viewers left is Austro-Hungarian and has a rifle in his right hand. The soldier on the right is German and his brandishing his rifle in his left hand. On the bottom edge of the medal is a ribbon decorated on the ends with laurel branches. On the ribbon is written **MIT VEREINTEN WAFFEN**. Translation: With united arms. Above the ribbon at the four o'clock position are the initials of the medalist: **BM**.
Reverse: In the center of the medal on a plain field is an eagle with outstretched wings above two coats of arms, an oak tree decorated with a ribbon. Behind the eagle are the sun's rays. Below the eagles head are the dates **1914 1915.** The coat of arms on the viewers left is that of Germany and the one on the right that of the Austrian empire. The ribbon bears the following text: **EINIGEIT STARK MACHT.** Translation: Unity makes strength .
Weight: 17.1 grams
Size: 34 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Silver plated bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Bernard Heinrich Mayer Company managed by his sons Rudolf and Friedrich
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Ist Army Christmas in the Field Commemorative Medal

(I ArmeeWeihnachten im Felde Medaille)



Date Issued: 1915
Reason Issued: To commemorate the Ist Army Christmas in the field in 1915.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: None known
Hallmarks: None known
Design: An oval medal with a notched rim with an attached round suspension eye
Obverse: Inside a notched rim on a plain field is the bust of Emperor Franz Joseph in facing to the viewers right. Around the bust starting at the seven o'clock position and ending at the two o'clock position is inscribed **WEIHNACHTEN IM FELDE 1914.** Translation: Christmas in the field 1914. Below the emperors bust is crossed laurel boughs on which is the number I superimposed upon it. At the bottom of the medal in the six o'clock position is the word **ARMEE.** Translation: I Army. Between the laurel boughs and the bust of the emperor is the name of the medalist: **GURSCHNER.**
Reverse: Inside a notched rim on a plain field at the top of the medal is the imperial coat of arms. Below the coat of arms is a two line inscription as follows: **WELTKRIEG / 1914-1915.** Translation: World War 1914-1915.
Weight: 5.1 grams
Size: 25 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Gustav von Gurschner
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Austria-Hungary Always United Commemorative Medal

(Österreich-Ungarn immer vereint Gedenkmedaille)



Date Issued: 1915

Reason Issued: To commemorate the unity in war of the Austro-Hungarian Empire.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts:

- This medal was issued by the Kriegsfursorgamt (War Welfare Office). Medals authorized by the Kriegsfursorgeamt were the Archduke Franz Ferdinand Assassination Commemorative Medal, War Welfare Office Commemorative Medal, Battle of Komarow-Janowska Medal, Bohm-Ermolli Medal, Archduke Freidrich Medal, Conrad von Hotzendorf Medal, Austria-Hungary Always United Medal, Archduke Eugen Commemoration Medal, Patron of the War Help Bureau Karl Stephan Commemoration Medal, Karl Bardolff Commemoration Medal, Pflanzer-Baltin Medal, Feldzeugmeister Karl Kuck Commemoration Medal, Generaloberst Svetozar Boroevic von Bojna and the Battle of the Isonzo Commemoration Medal, Hermann Salager Medal, Alexander Freiherr von Krobatin, Kovess von Kovesshaza Medal, Archduchess Maria Therese Medal, Archduchess Isabella Medal, Empress Zita Commemoration Medal, Colonel Theodore von Zynek Commemoration Medal, Death of Franz Joseph Medal, General von Limanowa-Lapanow Medal, Colonel Alfred Baron von Waldstatton Medal, Franz Baron Rohr von Denta Medal, Viktor Danle Medal, Alliance Commemoration Medal, Ferdinand von Marterer Medal, Archduke, Field Marshal-Lieutenant Peter Hofmann Medal, Colonel Rudolf Pawlowsky Medal, Johann R. Lobl Rauernstorff Medal, Prince Lobkowitz Medal.
- This medal was also issued as a table medal

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A round medal with an attached round suspension eye

Obverse: In the center of the medal on a plain background is the image of Emperor Franz Joseph facing to the viewers left in a Field Marshal's uniform. Behind his head is inscribed in two lines **FRANC / IOS. I.**.

Reverse: In the center of the medal on a plain field is inscribed in four lines: **VIRIBUS/ EUNITIS: / 1914 / 1915.** Translation: With United strength 1914 1915. (This was the motto of Emperor Franz Joseph I reign plus the date 1914-1915).

Weight: 111.5 grams

Size: 69 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Arnold Hartig

Manufacturer: The Vienna Hauptmunzamt (Mint)

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: None

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Gorlice Tarnow Commemoration Medal

(Gorlice Tarnow Gedenkmedaille)



Date Issued: 1915

Reason Issued: To commemorate the Victory over the Russians at Gorlice Tarnow in May-June, 1915.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts:

- This medal was part of the series of medals called victory pennies. There were at least 73 medals in the series and at least three of them were Austro-Hungarian subjects.
- The Victory over the Russians at Gorlice Tarnow was a major victory for the Central Powers alliance of the Austro-Hungary and Germany over the Russians.

Hallmarks: None

Design: A round medal with an integral suspension eye.

Obverse: In the center of the medal is an angel facing to the viewers left holding a victors wreath in her outstretched left hand and an upraised sword in her right hand. Around the edge of the medal is a beaded line within which is inscribed starting at the one o'clock position and ending at the 11 o'clock position as follows: **GOTT SEGNETE DIE VEREINIGTEN HEERE.** Translation: God blessed our united armies.

Reverse: Inside a raised rim is a fine beaded line. In the center of the medal is inscribed in four lines: **DURCH / BRUCH BEI / GORLICE-TARNOW.** Translation: Breakthrough at Gorlice-Tarnow. Around the edge of the medal inside the beaded line is a two part inscription the upper part of which starts at the eight o'clock position and ends at the four o'clock position. The inscription reads as follows: **DIE MAISCHLACHT AM DHNAJEC.** Translation: The May Battle at Dhnajec. The second part of the inscription starts at the seven o'clock position and ends at the five o'clock position and reads: **2-6 MAI 1915.** Translation: May 2-6 1915.

Weight: 1.3 grams

Size: 15.2 mm

Type of Material: Silver

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Artillery Patron Saint Barbara Medal

(Medaille der Schutzpatronin der Artillerie, Barbara)



Date Issued: 1915

Reason Issued: To honor the artillery and its patron saint: Barbara.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: Saint Barbara became the patron saint of artillerymen. She is also the patron of armourers, military engineers, gunsmiths, miners and anyone who works with cannons and or explosives. She is invoked against lightning and all accidents arising from gunpowder.

Hallmarks: None

Design: An oval medal with a raised rim and an integral round suspension eye.

Obverse: Inside a raised rim in the center of the medal is the image of an artillery piece facing to the viewers right with an eagle atop of it. At the bottom of the medal on a rock is the date **1915.** Translation: Near the edge of the medal at the three o'clock position are the initials of the medalist: **RK**.

Reverse: Inside a raised and notched rim in the center of the medal is the image of St. Barbara sitting on an eagle while holding an artillery shell in her hands. The artillery shell has the number **42** on it: Around the edge of the medal inside the notched line is an inscription which starts at the nine o'clock position and ends near the three o'clock position. The inscription reads as follows: **1915 ST. BARBARA**. Above the eagles tail are the initials of the medalist: **RK**.

Weight: 14.2 grams

Size: 44 by 32 mm

Type of Material: Bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Thought to be Richard Klein

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

World War I Commemorative Medal

(Gedenkmedaille zum Ersten Weltkrieg)



Date Issued: 1916

Reason Issued: To commemorate the unity in war of the Austro-Hungarian Empire and the other members of the Quadruple Alliance.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: A similar medal was issued in 1917. The only difference is the date on the reverse

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A round medal with an attached round suspension eye

Obverse: In the center of the medal on a plain background are the images of the Turkish Sultan Mehmet V, the German Emperor Wilhelm II, the Austro-Hungarian Emperor Franz Joseph and King Ferdinand of Bulgaria, facing to the viewers left in uniform. Around the images of the leaders is a fine raised line. Between the line and the edge of the medal is a laurel wreath. At the bottom of the medal is inscribed: **VIRIBUS UNITIS.** Translation: With united strength (the motto of the Austro-Hungarian Empire.

Reverse: In the center of the medal on a plain field is the image of a mortar in firing position in a forest. Above the scene is an inscription starting at the nine o'clock position and ending at the two o'clock position as follows: **ZUM ANDENKEN AN DEN WELTKRIEG.** Translation: In commemoration of the World War**.** At the bottom of the medal at the six o'clock position is the dates **1914-1916.**

Weight: Unknown

Size: Unknown

Type of Material: Zinc

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: None

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Quadruple Alliance Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille der Vierfach-Allianz)



Date Issued: 1916

Reason Issued: To commemorate alliance between the Austro-Hungarian Empire, Germany, the Ottoman Empire and Bulgaria in World War I

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: This medal and a table medal issued in the same year have the same obverse.

Hallmarks: 990 silver hallmark

Design: A round medal with raised rim and an attached loop suspension eye

Obverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain field is the images of the heads of state of the Quadruple alliance. They are in order from the top left to the bottom left they are Tsar Ferdinand I of Bulgaria, Mehmet V of the Ottoman Empire, Wilhelm II of Germany and Franz Joseph of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. Between the top two figures is inscribed in seven lines **VEREINT / IM / KAMPF FUR DIE / SACHE DER / MENSCHLICH / KEIT.** Translation: United in the fight for the cause of humanity. Between the four figures in the middle of the medal is a down pointing sword with its tip piercing a dragon at the six o'clock position. Behind the sword at the level of the hilt is a victors wreath. On the viewers left of the sword between Franz Joseph and Wilhelm II in two lines is inscribed **WELT/ 1914** and on the right **KRIEG / 1916.** Translation: World War 1914 1916. The top two-thirds of the medal near the edge starting at the eight o'clock position and ending at the four o'clock position is a wreath of laurel.

Reverse: Inside a raised rim is a forest scene with a seated hunter with a horn slung on his back and a spear on the ground next to him signaling with his right hand to a deer with a flaming cross between its antlers. Near the edge of the medal at the six o'clock position is the name of the medalist **L.CR. LAUER NUERNBERG.**

Weight: 15.2 grams

Size: 33.5 mm in diameter

Type of Material: 990 fine silver

Variations: None known

Designer:

- Fritz Konig
- Ludwig Christian Lauer

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None known

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Prisoner of War Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für Kriegsgefangene)



Date Issued: 1916

Reason Issued: To commemorate the war time incarceration of prisoners of war in the Knockaloe prisoner of war camp on the Isle of Man from 1914-1916.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: None known

Hallmarks: None

Design: A round medal with an integral loop suspension eye.

Obverse: In the center of the medal is a scene depicting the barracks of the prison camp on the Isle of Man. Around it is a raised line and between the line and the edge of the medal is a barbed wire wreath. Above it is a shield with the coat of arms of the Isle of Man.

Reverse: In the center of the medal is an oak wreath within which is a two line inscription. The inscription reads **WELTKRIEG / 1914-1916.** Translation: World War 1914-1916. Below the inscription is a decorative element. Between the oak wreath and the raised line at the five o'clock position is the name of the medalist: **P.MASCHKE**. Around the wreath is a raised line. Between the raised line and the edge of the medal is an inscription in two parts. The upper part starts at the nine o'clock position and ends at the four o'clock position. The inscription reads: **ERINNERUNG A.D.KRIEGSGEFANGENSCHAFT.** Translation: Commemorating prisoners of war. The lower part starts at the nine o'clock position and ends at the four o'clock position. The inscription reads: **KNOCKALOE. ISLE OF MAN.** Translation: Knockaloe Isle of Man. Separating the upper and lower inscription are stars.

Weight: 16 grams

Size: 39.5-40 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Pewter

Variations: None known

Designer: P. Maschke

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Prisoner of War Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für Kriegsgefangene)



Date Issued: 1916

Reason Issued: To commemorate the war time incarceration of prisoners of war in the Knockaloe prisoner of war camp on the Isle of Man from 1914-1916.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: None known

Hallmarks: None

Design: A round medal with an integral loop suspension eye.

Obverse: Inside the rim of the medal is a dot pattern forming a wreath. Within the wreath is a scene depicting the barracks of the prison camp on the Isle of Man with a prisoner holding a bucket in the foreground and a guard with a rifle on the right side of he medal at the three o'clock position. At the bottom of the medal at the six o'clock position and inside the dot wreath are the initials of the medalist **PG**.

Reverse: Inside the rim of the medal is a dot pattern forming a wreath. Within the wreath is a second wreath composed of chain links. Within the chain link wreath is a seven line inscription as follows: **ZUR / ERIN-NERUNG / ANMEINE KRIEGS / GEFANGENSCHAFT / KNOCKALOE. ISLE OF MAN / 1914-1916.** Translation: In commemoration of my war imprisonment in Knockaloe Isle of Man 1914-1916.

Weight: Unknown

Size: 37.5 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Pewter

Variations: None known

Designer: P. Maschke

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Prisoner of War Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für Kriegsgefangene)



Date Issued: 1916

Reason Issued: To commemorate the war time incarceration of prisoners of war in the Douglas prisoner of war camp on the Isle of Man from 1914-1916.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: None known

Hallmarks: None

Design: A round medal with an integral rectangular suspension eye.

Obverse: Inside the rim of the medal is a bob wire wreath. Within the wreath is a scene depicting the barracks of the prison camp on the Isle of Man. At the top of the medal at the 12 o'clock position is a shield with the coat of arms of the Isle of Man.

Reverse: Inside the rim is a laurel wreath. Within the wreath is an inscription in two parts. In the center of the medal is a rectangular plaque on which is an inscription in three lines as follows: **ERINNERUNG / AN DIE / KRIEGSHAFT.** Translation: In commemoration of wartime imprisonment. The second part of the inscription is in four lines, two of which are above the rectangle and two of which are below. The first and forth line are curved to conform to the shape of the medal. The inscription is as follows: **WELTKRIEG / 1914-1916 / DOUGLAS / ISLE OF MAN.** Translation: Isle of Man 1914-1916 Douglas Isle of Man.

Weight: Unknown

Size: 45 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Pewter

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Central Powers Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille der Mittelmächte)



Date Issued: 1916

Reason Issued: To commemorate the Central Powers alliance in the World War.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: This medal and the 1916 Quadruple Alliance Commemoration Table Medal have the same obverse.

Hallmarks: None

Design: A round medal with a wire loop suspension eye.

Obverse: In the center of the medal is a rectangle within which is depicted Emperor Franz Joseph and Wilhelm II of Germany with Franz Joseph in the foreground. To the viewers left of the rectangle is the image of King Ferdinand I of Bulgaria and to the right the Turkish Sultan Mohammed V. Above the rectangle is a star emitting rays. Below the rectangle are laurel boughs with a fasces superimposed on it. At the top of the medal starting at the 10 o'clock position and ending at the two o'clock position is the following inscription: **FERDINAND I. WILHELM II. FRANZ JUSEPH I. MOHAMMED V.** Near the bottom edge of the medal starting at the eight o'clock position and ending at the four o'clock position is the following inscription: **MIT VEREINTEN KRAFTEN.** Translation: With united forces. Below Franz Joseph's shoulder is the monogram of Mayer and Wilhelm: **M** over **W** over **ST**

Reverse: Reverse: Inside a raised rim is a beaded line. Inside the beaded line on a plain field is a nine line inscription, the first line of which is curved to fit the contour of the medal, as follows: **WELTKRIEG / DEUTSCHLAND / OSTERREICH-UNGARN. / TURKEI, BULGARIEN / GEGEN / FRANKREICH, ENGLAND / RUSSLAND, SERBIEN / BELGIEN, MONTEN. /US.W.** Translation: World War Germany Austria-Hungary, Turkey, Bulgaria against French Empire, England, Russia, Serbia, Belgium, Montenegro, etc. Between the first and second word is a cross and between the forth word and the fifth is a horizontal sword with a laurel bough raped around it and the dates **1914 1916** on the blade.

Weight: 15.6 grams

Size: 37 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Mayer and Wilhelm

Manufacturer: Stuttgart Foundry

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Unknown

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Donation Medal for the Austrian Air Force

(Spende Medaille fur die Osterreichische Luftflotte)



Date Issued: Circa 1916-1918

Reason Issued: As a patriotic medal to raise funds to support the Austrian air service

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: The medal was worn on a black and gold ribbon by Austrians and a red and white ribbon by Hungarians

- This medal was also issued as a table medal

Hallmarks: None

Design: A round medal with an attached eye

Obverse: An Etrich Monoplane flying over a landscape with Cyprus trees above which is inscribed: **VIRBUS-UNITUS**. Translation: united strength. There is also the image of an airplane in the distance below the larger planes right wing. At the bottom of the medal inside of the raised rim at the six o'clock position is the maker's name: **GURSCHNER.**



Reverse: On a plain field is the imperial eagle with arrows between the feathers of its wings and with a breast shield on which is inscribed in four lines **FUR / DIE /OSTERR. /LUFT / FLOTTE**. Translation: For the Austrian Air Fleet



Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Donation Medal for the Austrian Air Force

(Spende Medaille fur die Osterreichische Luftflotte)



Weight: 105 grams
Size: 27-30 mm in diameter not counting the suspension ring
Type of Material: Bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Gustav Gurschner
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: This medal has been seen on two ribbons

- A half black an half olden yellow ribbon with the black on the right
- A half red and half white ribbon with the white on the right





Attachments: None known
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Colonel Moritz von Lempruch Commemoration Medal

(Oberst Moritz von Lempruch-Erinnerungsmedaille)



Date Issued: 1917

Reason Issued: To commemorate the service of General Moritz Freiherr von Lempruch and the battels fought by the Ortler Group.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts:

- Until the First World War, Lempruch served as an engineer officer. After the outbreak of war, he was promoted to lieutenant colonel and assigned to the Engineer Directorate in Brixen, where he dealt with equipping the Buchensteintal barrier and the Tre Sassi plant. From December 1914 until Italy's entry into the war, he stayed on the Eastern Front in Galicia and was busy with fortification work. After the Italian declaration of war on 23 May 1915, he returned to the Engineer Directorate in Brixen, where he was fortification officer of the German Alpine Corps until September 1915. In September 1915 he was promoted to colonel. From March 1915 until the end of the war he remained commander of the Ortler Group. During this time, he succeeded in defending the so-called Ortler Front.
- This Medal was also issued as a table Medal.

Hallmarks: None

Design: A rectangular medal with a beveled top and a decorative suspension eye.

Obverse: On a plain field is the image of General Moritz Freiherr von Lempruch facing to the viewers right in uniform. To the right of his image just above the exergue is the name of the medalist: **L.HUJER.** Below the scene on an exergue on which is an inscription in three lines: **OBERST. REICHSFRHVLEMPRUCH / VERTEIDIGUNG. DER. FRONT / STUFSERIOCH ORTLER.CEVEDALE.** Translation: Colonel imperia Baron von Lempruch defender of the Ortler front.

Reverse: On a plain field is depicted an eagle on top of a plaque. On the plaque is an eight line inscription as follows: **GEISTER = KRYSTALL = / TUKETTSPITZE / HINTERER.MADAISCH / SCHNEE-GLOCKE / TRAFOIER - EISWAND / EISKOGELE-ORTLER / SULDENSPITZE. / 1916-1917.** This is a list of the battels fought by the Ortler Group from 1916-1917. Between the dates in the last line is the image of an edelweiss in an octagon.

Weight: Unknown

Size: 30 by 40 cm

Type of Material: Brass

Variations: None known

Designer: Ludwig Hujer

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: None

Attachments: None known

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Italian Prisoners of War Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für italienische Kriegsgefangene)



Date Issued: 1917

Reason Issued: To commemorate the Italian prisoners of war who were incarcerated in the largest prisoner of war camp in Sigmundsherberg in Lower Austria.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: None known

Hallmarks: A rectangle with the letters KL and the 1872-1922 800 fine silver small article hallmark

Design: A round medal with a wedge shaped suspension eye.

Obverse: A scene in which what appears to be a women is standing in front of the entrance to a building. To the viewers left of the person is a three line inscription as follows: **SIGMVNDS / HERBERG / 1917**. Below the inscription is the name of the medalist: **?Matteucci** in script.

Reverse: On a plain field is the image of a mans face in profile, facing to the viewers left. In front of his face is wat appears to be three chain links. On the bottom edge of the medal at the seven o'clock position is the name of the medalist: **JAUNER WIEN**. On the bottom edge of the medal at the five o'clock position is the name of the medalist: **?Matteucci** in script.

Weight: Unknown

Size: 26 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Matteucci and Heinrich Jauner

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: None

Attachments: None known

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Quadruple Alliance Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für die vierfache Allianz)



Date Issued: 1917

Reason Issued: To commemorate the quadruple alliance between Austro-Hungary, Germany, the Ottoman Empire and Bulgaria.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: A similar medal was issued in 1916. The only difference is the date on the reverse

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A round medal with a loop shaped suspension eye.

Obverse: On a plain field in the center of the medal are the leaders of each of the nations of the quadruple alliance in profile. They are from front to back, King Ferdinand I of Bulgaria, Emperor Wilhelm II of Germany, Emperor Charles of Austria-Hungary and Sultan Mehmed V of the Ottoman Empire facing to the viewers left. All are in military uniform. Around the images of he leaders is a fine raised line. At the top of the medal between the raised line and the edge of the medal are laurel boughs. At the bottom of the medal starting at the eight o'clock position and ending at the four o'clock position is inscribed: **VIRIBUS UNITIS.** This is the motto of the Austrian-Hungarian Empire: With United Strength .

Reverse: On a plain field is the image of a mortar in a grove of pine trees in a mountainous area. In Above the scene near the edge of the medal starting at the nine o'clock position and ending at the four o'clock position is the following inscription: **ZUM ANDENKEN AN DEN WELTKRIEG**. Translation: In memory of the world war. At the bottom of the medal at the six o'clock position are the dates **1914-1917.**

Weight: 8.1 grams

Size: 30.5 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Zinc

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: None

Attachments: None known

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Quadruple Alliance Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für die vierfache Allianz)



Date Issued: 1914-1916

Reason Issued: To commemorate the quadruple alliance between Austro-Hungary, Germany, the Ottoman Empire and Bulgaria.

Classes or Types: One

Interesting Facts: Unknown

Hallmarks: None known

Design: A round medal with a raised rim and a loop shaped suspension.

Obverse: On a plain field in the center of the medal are the leaders of each of the nations of the quadruple alliance in profile. They are from front to back, Emperor Wilhelm II of Germany, Emperor Franz Joseph I of Austria-Hungary King, Sultan Mehmed V of the Ottoman Empire and Ferdinand I of Bulgaria facing to the viewers right. All are in military uniform.

Reverse: On a plain field are crossed swords. In the spaces between the blades from the top, clock wise are the coats of arms of the allied nations as follows: Austrian empire, Bulgaria, German empire and Turkey.

Weight: 8.1 grams

Size: 30.5 mm in diameter

Type of Material: Zinc

Variations: None known

Designer: Unknown

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: None

Attachments: None known

Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Schwechat Rifle Championship Commemorative Medal

(Etablierung der Kirchbichi Schießplatz Gedenkmedaille)



Date Issued: Unknown
Reason Issued: To commemorate the Schwechat rifle championship competition.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: The obverse of this medal is the same as the 1883 First Vienna Cartridge Defense Society Shoot Commemoration Medal.
Hallmarks: None known
Design: A round medal with an attached hook shaped suspension eye
Obverse: Within a raised rim on a plain field in the center of the medal is the image the imperial coat of arms of the city of Vienna. Around the coat of arms is a fine beaded line that intersects with the banderols of the imperial crown. Between the beaded line and the **UB AUG UND HAND FURS VATERLAND.** Translation: our eyes and hands for the fatherland. Around the edge of the medal is another fine beaded line.
Reverse: Inside a raised rim on a plain field is a stylized plaque on which is written in two lines **MEISTER-SCHAFT / SCHWECHAT.** Translation: Championship Schwechat. Around the plaque is an oak wreath tied at the bottom with a bow which passes below the edges of the plaque.
Weight: 21.2 grams
Size: 29.7-30.5 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Silver
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: The number of minted medals struck usually corresponded with the number of awarded persons, the rest of medals were used as giveaways to important persons and institutions.
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Austrian Naval Society Decoration

(Auszeichnung der Österreichischen Marinegesellschaft)



Date Issued: Unknown
Reason Issued: To reward member of the Austrian Naval Society.
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: None known
Hallmarks: None known
Design: An oval medal with an attached hook shaped suspension eye
Obverse: Within a raised gold colored rim are the Austrian colors one-third red, white, red in a horizontal pattern. In the middle of the medal is a gold fowled anchor. Around the lower three-fourths of the medal is a green enameled laurel wreath, tied at the bottom with a red enameled bow. This medal is suspended from an imperial crown with red enameled inner liner and blue enameled banderols by a series of small links.
Reverse: Unknown
Weight: 12.9 grams
Size: 57 by 29 mm
Type of Material: Silver and enamel
Variations: None known
Designer: Johann Zimbler
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: A red leather case with a white inscription as follows on the lid: **AHRENAB-ZEICHEN DES OSTERREICHISCHEN FLOTTENVEREINES.** In the center of the lid is the insignia of the Austrian Naval Society in white. The lower portion of the medal is black velvet and fitted for the decoration.
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known



Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Best Young Shooter Award Medal

(Medaille für den besten Nachwuchsschützen)



Silver Medal

Date Issued: Unknown

Reason Issued: Issued by the War Ministry annually to the best young shooters

Classes or Types: Two: Silver Medal and Bronze Medal

Interesting Facts: Unknown

Design: A quadrilateral shaped medal with a wedge shaped suspension eye.

Obverse: In the center of the medal is a fine raised line. Inside the line is the image of a kneeling shooter in a natural landscape, facing to the viewers right. Behind the shooter is inscribed **.PRO-CAESARE. ET. PA-TRIA.** Translation: For emperor and Country. In each corner of the medal are oak leaves and acorns

Reverse: In the center of the medal on a plain field is the imperial coat of arms. Around the upper edge of the medal is a ribbon on which is written **VIRIBVS VNITIS**. Translation: United strength. In the bottom corner of the medal is a laurel bough.

Weight:

- Silver Medal 23.5-23.9 grams
- Bronze Medal: Unknown

Size: 35 by 35 mm

Type of Material: Silver and bronze

Variations: None known

Designer: Rudolf Neuberger

Manufacturer: Unknown

Number Issued: Unknown

Case: Unknown

Ribbon: Half imperial yellow and half black

Attachments: None

Miniature: None known



Bronze Medal

Austrian Naval Society Admiral Tegetthoff Service Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für den Dienst des Admirals Tegetthoff der Österreichischen Marinegeselschaft)



Date Issued: Unknown
Reason Issued: Issued by the Austrian Naval Society to commemorate Admiral Tegetthoff's navel Service
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: Unknown
Design: A round medal with a loop shaped suspension eye.
Obverse: Inside a raised rim in the center of the medal is the bust of admiral Wilhelm von Tegetthoff in uniform facing to the viewers right. Around the upper half of the medal is . **ADMIRAL WILHELM V. TEGETTHOFF.** Around the lower third of the medal is **28.12. 1827-7.4. 1871**. Translation: Admiral Wilhelm von Tegetthoff 28.12. 1827-7.4. 1871.
Reverse: Inside a raised rim in the center of the medal on a plain field is an five line inscription as follows: **ZUR / ERINNERUNG / AN DIE / MARINE / DIENSTZEIT**. Translation: In commemoration of the period of navy service. Around this inscription is a laurel wreath. Between the wreath and the edge of the medal is inscribed: **OSTERREICHISCHER MARINE-VERBAND**. Translation: Austrian Navy Society.
Weight: Unknown
Size: Unknown
Type of Material: Gilt metal
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Austrian Naval Society Josef Ressel Commemoration Medal

(Gedenkmedaille für Josef Ressel der Österreichischen Marinegesellschaft)



Date Issued: Unknown
Reason Issued: Issued by the Austrian Naval Society to commemorate Josef Ressel, the inventor of the propeller
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: This appears to be a cast medal
Design: A round medal with a loop shaped suspension eye.
Obverse: Inside a raised rim in the center of the medal is the bust of Josef Ressel facing to the viewers left. Around the upper half of the medal is the following inscription. **ERFINDER DER SCHIFFSCHRAUBE.** Translation: Inventor of the ships propeller . Around the lower third of the medal is **JOSEF RESSEL 29.6. 1793-10.10. 1857**. Translation: Josef Ressel 29.6.1793-10.10.1857.
Reverse: Inside a raised rim in the center of the medal on a plain field is the image of a propeller. Around this inscription is a laurel wreath. Between the wreath and the edge of the medal is inscribed: **OSTER-REICHISCHER MARINE-VERBAND**. Translation: Austrian Navy Society.
Weight: Unknown
Size: Unknown
Type of Material: Gilt bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Light blue
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Friends of Peace Medal

(Medaille der Freunde des Friedens)



Date Issued: Unknown
Reason Issued: Issued to recognize the alliance between the Austrian and German Empires in WWI
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: None known
Design: A round medal with a raised rim and a loop shaped suspension eye.
Obverse: Inside a raised rim is a beaded line. Inside the beaded line in the center of the medal are the busts of Emperor Franz Joseph of the Austrian empire and Emperor Wilhelm II of the German empire, facing each other with Franz Joseph on the viewers left. Around the edge of the medal is an inscription as follows. **KAISER FRANZ JOSEPH I. KAISER WILHELM II.** Translation: Emperor Franz Joseph I Emperor Wilhelm II . Beneath the busts of the emperors is inscribed in three lines with the last line following the contour of the medal the following: **DIE FREUNDE / DES / FRIEDENS**. Translation: The friends of peace.
Reverse: Inside a raised rim is a beaded line. Inside the beaded line in the center of the medal are the shields with the coats of arms of the Austrian empire and the German empire, with that of Austria on the viewers left. Above each shield is the crown of the respective empire. The shields rest on a decorative shelf and are surrounded by a laurel wreath.
Weight: 3.4 grams
Size: 22-22.5 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Bronze
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Bohm-Ermolli Medal

(Bohm-Ermolli Erinnerungsmedaille)



Date Issued: Unknown
Reason Issued: To commemorate Generaloberst, Eduard Freiherr von Bohm-Ermolli
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: None known
Design: A round medal with a loop shaped suspension eye.
Obverse: In the center of the medal is the bust of Generaloberst, Eduard Freiherr von Bohm-Ermolli in uniform, facing to the viewers right. Around the edge of the medal is an inscription starting at the nine o'clock position and ending at the 12 o'clock position as follows. **GENOBST V BOHM ERMOLI.** Translation: General Oberst Bohm-Ermolli.
Reverse: Plain.
Weight: 5 grams
Size: 22 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Pewter
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Semi-Official Military Related Medals

Archduke Friedrich Medal

(Erzherzog Friedrich Erinnerungsmedaille)



Date Issued: Unknown
Reason Issued: To commemorate Feldmarshall Archduke Friedrich
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: None known
Design: A round medal with a loop shaped suspension eye.
Obverse: In the center of the medal is the bust of Archduke Friedrich in uniform, facing to the viewers left. Behind the archduke's neck at the three o'clock position is a two line inscription as follows. **FELDMAR-SHALL / ERZ-FRIEDRICH.** Translation: Field marshal Archduke Friedrich.
Reverse: Plain.
Weight: 5-5.1 grams
Size: 22-23 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Pewter
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Our Emperor in Prayor Medal
(Medaille „Unser Kaiser im Gebet“)



Date Issued: Unknown
Reason Issued: To honor the emperors commitment to the ultimate Austro-Hungarian Victory
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: None known
Design: An oblong medal with a round suspension eye.
Obverse: In the center of the medal is the image of emperor Franz Joseph in uniform and in prayer, facing to the viewers right. Below his image is inscribed **IH. JOOLIK.** Below the image of the emperor following the contour of the medal starting at the at the eight o’clock position and ending at the four o’clock position is an inscription as follows. **UNSER KAISER IM GBET.** Translation: Our emperor in prayer.
Reverse: In the center of the medal is the image of three tall flowers. Around the image of the flowers starting at the seven o’clock position and ending at the five o’clock position is inscribed **GOTT WIRD UNS ZUM SIEGE HELFEN.** Translation: God will help us to victory.
Weight: Unknown
Size: Unknown
Type of Material: Silver
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known

Austria Germany Alliance Medal
(Österreich-Deutschland-Allianzmedaille)



Date Issued: Unknown
Reason Issued: In commemoration of the alliance between Austria and Germany
Classes or Types: One
Interesting Facts: None known
Design: A round medal with a round suspension eye.
Obverse: In the center of the medal is the image of emperor Wilhelm II of Germany and emperor Franz Joseph I of Austria in uniform facing to the viewers right, with Wilhelm in the foreground. Above the images of the emperors on the edge of the medal is inscribed **ENIG UND STARK.** Translation: United and strong.
Reverse: Plain.
Weight: 6.5 grams
Size: 18 mm in diameter
Type of Material: Silver
Variations: None known
Designer: Unknown
Manufacturer: Unknown
Number Issued: Unknown
Case: Unknown
Ribbon: Unknown
Attachments: None
Miniature: None known